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MRS. TERRELL ON WOMAN SUFFRAGE

THE DISTINGUISHED PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COLORED WOMEN URGES THE BALLOT AS THE LEVER THAT WILL MOST EFFECTIVELY LIFT UP HER SEX.

PRESENCE OF FORTUNE, PLEDGER, OTHERS

In Town Gives Rise to Rumor that Something Startling is on Foot --Mr. White Pushes an Important Bill Through the House that will Bring $230,000 to the Race.

MRS. NATION'S CRANKY CAPERS.

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(Staff Correspondence of The Freeman)

Washington, D. C., special: Standing room was all that could be secured by late comers last Sunday afternoon at the Second Baptist Lyceum. This is the rule invariably in Washington when Mrs. Mary Church Terrell is announced for a special address. This estimable and charming leader of organized Afro-American womanhood was the speaker of the day, and the theme selected by her was "The Justice of Woman Suffrage," and her clean-cut, forcible logic in the presentation of her argument in favor of the ballot as an instrument for the elevation of woman and the advancement of civilization demonstrated that she had given much thought to the subject. Her method of treatment was new and original. Discarding the strident tones and aggressive mannerisms popularly supposed to be an integral part of the average equal suffragist, and dismissing with a word the stock objections to woman suffrage usually submitted by the antiquarian debater, Mrs. Terrell, with her characteristic sunniness of disposition and graceful expression, brought forward proofs from Holy Writ, from personal observation and from the tendencies of the age that woman was designed to exert an influence upon the world not less significant than that given to man. She spoke of woman's responsibilities as wife, mother, daughter and sister, and urged the ballot as an essential instrument for recording their wishes in legislation affecting their rights and happiness, and for protection against injustice and tyranny. The fact that women had been given enlarged property rights, and had been clothed with additional authority over their children, or that they were supposed to be represented at the polls by male relatives, did not answer the just demand that they made for the privilege of speaking for themselves. She did not believe that the right to vote would make a true woman less womanly, nor that the fact of holding office would make them less devoted to home ties and affections. Extreme cases were few, and their very prominence noted them as the exception rather than the rule. Mrs. Terrell granted that the reform aimed at would necessarily come slowly, but the leaven of common sense was working, and prejudice would gradually give way to the sweeter spirit of reason. With the ballot in the hands of women the safeguards of the home would be strengthened, the industrial status of the sex would be raised, and their moral naturep roperly developed. During her address, which was liberally punctuated with enthusiastic applause, Mrs. Terrell paid a beautiful tribute to the virtues of Queen Victoria as a sovereign and as a woman, and regretted that her long and beneficent reign must close within a few hours. Mrs. Terrell's winning personality, modesty of demeanor, intelligent conception of her relation to her environment, coupled with her well known domesticity—none of which had been diminished by her advocacy of suffrage or appearance on public platforms—were in themselves excellent object lessons in the advisability of larger ballot privileges for our feminine "fellow citizens." Among those who ably discussed the points advanced were Prof. Kelly Miller, Prof. R. H. Terrell, Gen. Irvin Dugan, ex-member of Congress from Ohio; Lieut. R. E. Toomey, Messrs. J. D. Fossett, F. M. Sims and Editor A. L. Manly. The discussion grew so interesting that when the time was all gone, President Thompson announced that a continuation would be granted at an early day. The meeting was one of the most profitable and enjoyable of the season, and after adjournment Mrs. Terrell was given an ovation by the multitude which crowded forward to tender congratulations upon her masterly and eloquent deliverance.

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There are signs that "something is up." The middle of the week brought into town quite a formidable aggregation of Afro-American statesmen, whose presence at once set the tongues of the gossips to wagging, and much speculation is indulged in as to what is about to happen. I am not in a position to give out anything with any degree of definiteness, beyond taking note that the conspicuous figures in this march on the National capital is headed by such stalwarts as Editor T. Thomas Fortune, of New York; Col. William Aristides Pledger and Barrister Henry L. Johnson, of Georgia, while Barrister J. Madison Vance, of Louisiana, divides time between the alluring shades of LeDroit Park, the executive departments and the chambers of the august Supreme Court, performing a thinking part. The latter gentleman disclaims any designs upon an office, but if one succeeds in chasing him down, his friends have a suspicion that he will blushingly say "Yea." The New Yorker and the Georgians are likewise "sawing wood." but make no secret of their feeling that since they have done such yeoman service for President McKinley through two hard-fought campaigns and were not in the first four years' deal, the fruits of victory are "about up to them"—and those who really know the value of the work they have done agree with them, without the necessity of going into details. The Southern Hotel is now political headquarters, and the results that may grow out of sundry mysterious conferences, followed by certain visits to high places, will no doubt startle the uninitiated in the near future. Anyhow, the advance guard of the forces that will swoop down upon the new administration has reached the ground, and the band may now begin to play. Bishop Walters comes to-night, but as he is to be here to preach and to address the Second Baptist Lyceum, it is not right to give the impression that any political significance attaches to his visit. The country will do wel lto prick up its ears—for something is going to happen, "jes' as sho' as you's bawn."

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Congressman White has, after much effort, succeeded in getting through the House a bill appropriating the sum of $230,000 for the erection and maintenace of a Home for Aged and Infirm Colored People of the United States, said building to be located upon a site in the District of Columbia, already the property of the corporation that expects to take charge of the institution. The money appropriated is the unclaimed bounty and back pay of Negro soldiers, whose heirs have been unable to establish the justice of their claim to such funds, and the supporters of the measure to build a home came to the conclusion that the best use to which the accumlated dollars could be put would be to aid the poor Negroes of the nation. The home is not to be a government institution proper, as the bill simply provides for the expenditure of the funds in hand. Future monies must come from private sources. Mr. White did a powerful service to the race in steering this measure through the House successfully, when others of acknowledged influence in Congress have failed year after year to secure serious consideration for the project. Mr. White says he has every reason to believe that the bill will be approved by the Senate.

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The devastation of saloons, in which work Mrs. Carrie Nation is engaged out in "bleeding Kansas," is not making a "hit" with the sensible temperance women hereabouts, who believe that the liquor evil can only be handled through moral agencies. The only way to abolish the saloon is to make it unprofitable. The only way to make it unprofitable is for men to quit drinking. This can only be accomplished by convincing them of the deep damnation that lies in the cup, and by surrounding them with influences that will strengthen their moral courage to the resisting point. Wrecking saloons simply builds up the business of the wholesaler who must replenish the destroyed stock. Mrs. Nation is a crank, and she either ought to be taken in hand by her husband, or be controlled by the authorities of the law. The temperance question is one for the churches, schools, medical experts and tactful women. Leaders like Mrs. Rosetta E. Lawson, Mrs. Lucy G. Thurman, Mrs. Booker T. Washington and Mrs. F. E. M. Harper have no patience with sensationalists of the Carrie Nation type, who serve to make the cause of real temperance ridiculous.

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There is room for all lovers of fair play to rejoice over the triumphant re-election of Matthew Stanley Quay to the United States Senate. He is a stalwart, who despises hypocrisy and cant. He believes in robust politics, and is a leader who holds his following together by keeping his word with those who stand by him. The American instinct goes out in sympathy for the fighter who battles in the open, and no anathema is too severe to heap upon the head of the cur who makes a speciality of striking an opponent below the belt. The men who make parties strong and who achieve positive results for mankind are constructive politicians and statesmen of the Hanna, Platt, Quay, Heath and Fairbanks type.

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The House committee on banking and currency, voted, 6 to 4, in favor of reporting the Overstreet bill, maintaining at all times the parity of the standard silver dollar with gold. Two Democrats voted with the Republicans in favor of the bill. The report is a signal victory for the dashing young Congressman from Indiana's Seventh district, who has borne the brunt of the gold standard fight in the House for the past two years. Mr. Overstreet is an industrious and painstaking member, and not only does he contend earnestly for the triumph of the principles for which he was sent to do battle, but keeps a sharp weather eye open for the "loaves and fishes" that may be landed in the laps of his faithful constituents.

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A dispatch to Delegate Wilcox states that four hundred more Negroes from the United States have arrived at Honolulu on the Pekin, and that some local objections are beginning to be heard to the importation of Negro labor, as it is feared that some of the criminal experiences of the Southern States may be repeated in Hawaii if Negroes are brought in large numbers, sufficient to compete dangerously with home labor. A row of this sort is reported from Walluku, Maui, where pistols are said to have been drawn, and bloodshed was narrowly averted. Thus the labor problem grows more and more perplexing. If the congested condition of the Southland keeps Negro labor at beggarly compensation, and the North and West are unwilling to admit him to the industrial ranks, where is he to find a market for his muscles and vigor? Why should not the Negro have the call in our new insular possessions and given a man's chance to build up a home where he won't be in anybody's way?

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Mr. Wu, the magnetic Chinese minister, who so shrewdly averted a war between the United States and China by some finely turned diplomacy, is talking his way into the hearts of the Afro-Americans of this country. His interview on lynching, recently given out, was a scathing indictment of the alleged Christianity of this nation. We are reaching a pretty place in the world's civilization when a so-called "heathen" must come from the benighted "Flowery Kingdom" to lecture us upon the obligations of our own professed religion. Since knowing Mr. Wu, the black man will have a higher respect for Chinamen. Even the almond-eyed Celestial who operates the wash-house at the corner will begin to get a gladder smile when we go after our solitary Sunday garment.

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T. Thomas Fortune is now a full-fledged cigar manufacturer—that is, he doesn't actually make them with his own hands, but he is principal boss of a factory that turns out the fragrant Havana in orders of any size, prices to suit any pocket-book. As soon as he struck town he engaged a hustling young man to go out upon the warpath as a drummer. Before tea time this fleet-footed and silver-tongued agent of Douglas, Fortune & Co. had taken enough orders to stow away $12 in his inside pocket as commission, which shows that he did a land-office business. The cigars are really excellent, and are bound to prove popular, especially with the colored trade. The Frederick Douglass cigar, the B. K. Bruce cigar and Fortune's Favorite are the leaders, and the boxes are adorned with handsome portraits of the parties after whom the brands are named. Pledger's Bull-Dog is a new cigar, said to be in preparation—to sell "two-for-five." I am satisfied that the versatile "Age" man has a gold mine in embryo.

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All Washington is reading eagerly each installment of Booker T. Washington's thrilling autobiography now running in The Outlook, under the caption, "Up from Slavery." Mr. Washington has just received a letter from a Boston woman enclosing a check for $1,000 for the work at Tuskegee, as a result of her having read the articles in The Outlook. The numbers of this magazine for November, December and January, covering the Washington series, can be had for twenty-five cents by applying to the publishers, 287 Fourth avenue, New York City. Mention The Freeman.

FOOT NOTES.

The W. Calvin Chase Republican Club is to make an imposing appearance in the inaugural parade. Editor Chase has a host of loyal followers, and his capacity as a leader of the District forces will be amply illustrated on the birthday of McKinley's second administration. Chase is "hot stuff," but the fellows all like him because he is no hypocrite. Neither his friends nor his enemies are at a loss to know where to find him at any season of the year.

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Assistant Register of the Treasury Cyrus F. Adams is expected to report for duty on the 1st.

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Miss Flora Batson and Mr. Gerard Millar are underlined for an appearance at the Metropolitan Church February 1.

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Prof. J. Henry Lewis deserves great credit for his admirable musical work in this community. He has done wonders in developing untrained but promising voices for choirs, and has carried out successfully the production, with full orchestra and special scenery, of Gilbert and Sullivan's tuneful opera, "The Pirates of Penzance." He has been for some years director of the Asbury choir. The oratorio, "Emanuel" (J. E. Trowbridge), a new composition, is now being rehearsed by this choir, under his guidance, for presentation Easter Monday evening. A chorus of sixty voices is provided for.

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The news that Mrs. Robert J. Harlan is dead will come as a shock to her host of friends East and West. She was a woman of superior virtues. She was a valued member of society, a devoted wife and mother, and in the short time that she had been a resident of Washington endeared herself to all with whom she came in contact. Her loss will be deeply mourned. The funeral services took place from her late residence, 1618 Corcoran street, N. W., January 21, at 10 a. m. Interment at Philadelphia.

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Register J. W. Lyons, by request of the State Normal and Industrial College at Prairie View, Texas, has invited President McKinley to pay a visit to that institution during his forthcoming itinerary, which is to include portions of Texas. The President promised to take the invitation under consideration. Two educational institutions for colored pupils have so far been honored by a visit from the Chief Executive—Tuskegee and the State College of Georgia, Prof. Wright's school.

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Mr. T. J. Calloway is making rapid progress with the work of gathering exhibits for the Colored Exhibit at the Charleston (S. C.) Exposition, which opens in a few months. The showing is to be the most complete that the race has yet enjoyed. Prof. Booker T. Washington is director-general of the Negro Department, which is a guarantee that the race will be seen at its best. Mr. Calloway and two clerks are constantly employed in sending out literature and handling correspondence. The office is in the Capital Savings Bank Building, 609 F street, N. W.

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The Freeman, after this week, will be on sale in Washington at the newsstand corner of Fourteenth street and Pierce Place, N. W.

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A committee has been appointed to prepare an address on the subject of "Jim Crow" cars, asking the colored people of the country to petition Congress to amend the interstate commerce act so as to protect interstate passengers upon railroads and steamboats. Thomas L. Jones, Stewart M. Lewis, Rufus Delaney, John Spriggs, A. T. Taylor, W. W. Fard, Henry E. Earl and J. W. Poe were designated to wait upon Representative Crumpacker to urge him to frame an amendment to the interstate commerce bill that will protect interstate passengers from the ills that Southern States are forcing upon colored people.

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Mr. Roscoe Conkling Simmons has retired from the position of managing editor of The Colored American. The talented young man is at present rendering efficient assistance to Mr. Calloway in the arrangements for the Charleston Exposition, but it is understood that he will shortly be appointed to a good government berth.

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The enterprising Daily Record has added a more or less handsome monkey to its office staff.

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The elevator men of Washington have caught the prevailing spirit of the times and have organized. George W. Perrott is chairman; James King, vice chairman; William H. Winters, treasurer, and David V. Fisher, secretary.

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Clarence Cameron White, the promising young violinist, has gone to Cleveland, Ohio, to take a special course in the study of his favorite instrument.

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Mr. Henry W. Lewis succeeds Mr. Benjamin Washington as leader of the Nineteenth Street Baptist Church choir.

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The Dvorak Musical Association is to repeat their excellent presentation of "The Pirates of Penzance."

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An effort will be made to secure adequate recognition for the Negro in the reorganized army. Messrs. Cheatham and Lyons have had several conferences with the President upon the subject, and there is hope that our gallant boys will be taken care of adequately.

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Rev. J. S. Johnson, an eloquent young divine from Ohio, is acting as assistant pastor at the Metropolitan A. M. E. Church. When it is announced that he will fill the pulpit, the attendance and interest are decidedly increased over that which greets the regular pastor, whose days are numbered at this church, greatly to its betterment.

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The "press gang" has the thanks of the undersigned for many encouraging compliments.

R. W. THOMPSON.

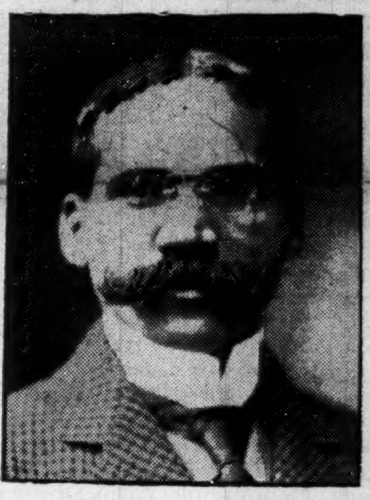
JAMES H. LOTT,

INDIANA'S CANDIDBTE FOR RECORDER OF DEEDS.

A MAN OF WORTH AND INTEGRITY

And Should Receive Recognition from President McKinley. Interest Shown in His Behalf.

The Freeman, this week, presents to its many readers Mr. James H. Lott, the prominent attorney of Indianapolis, who is an aspirant for the appointment as Recorder of Deeds for the District of Columbia. Mr. Lott's application bears the indorsement of the two Indiana Senators and all the Republican members of Congress from this State. As it is understood here, there is no other applicant from a Northern State, and the most formidable opponent of Mr. Lott is Dr. Crossland, of St. Joseph, Mo.



Mr. Lott has lived in this city seven years. He was reared in Paxton, Ill., a county seat with a small colored population. Mr. Lott secured a common school education with difficulty and spent several years reading law with equal difficulty. However, when he applied for admission to the bar of the State, before the Supreme Court of Illinois, he passed the required examination with honor and was admitted. Two years later he was elected city attorney of Paxton and served one term. After this Mr. Lott came to Indiana and to Indianapolis a year later. Here he has had a reputable practice. Mr Lott is thirty-seven years old and unmarried.

Mr. Lott was elected engrossing clerk in the House of Representatives of Illinois in 1887, and while serving as such was elected city attorney of Paxton. He filled the office two years to the satisfaction of the public. He was elected alternate delegate at large for the State of Illinois to the Republican National Convention in 1888, being the first colored man the State ever sent to a national convention. Mr. Lott is a man of dignified bearing—modest and unassuming—a warm friend who is always willing to make any sacrifice for his friends, and is a true gentlemen in the best sense of the word. He is regarded as one of the best informed men in the city. As a speaker he is fluent and logical. The Negroes of the State hope to see Mr. Lott awarded in his aspirations, as they feel that the Negro vote of Indiana should receive some substantial recognition from the Republican party.

Terre Haute Doings

Terre Haute, Ind., Special.—Prof. John H. Slaton, of Madisonville, Ky., was in the city Saturday. The wife of Berry Taylor died Jan. the 20. M. F. A. Easton, of Fonlett, Wis., editor of the American Problem, in company with the Rev. D. J. Donohugh, P. E., of the Zion A. M. E. church, passed through the city Saturday, enroute to Rockville, Ind. Mrs. Elizabeth Gilson, of this city, left for Micigan Saturday in company with her two sons. She will make it her future home. Dean Henison, of Bloomington, Ind., died Thursday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Addie Weaden, and was buried Sunday from the Baptist church.

TOM THE TATTLER,

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

Friendship is the resemblance of men's dispositions to each other.

The Blue-jay:—"What is the crow trying to do this morning? Did you ever hear such a fuss?

The Wood-pecker:—He is simply practicing some notes which he heard a prima-donna make last night.

One of the Gould family was a jay but he seems to have had more sense than some of those connected with it today.

"Now Johnny," said the teacher, "if I owed your father twenty dollars, and only paid him a dollar and a quarter, what would the result be?"

Johnny sits in deep study but fails to answer.

"Johnny," said the teacher, "is it possible you can't answer that?"

"I can answer it said Willie Smart."

"Well Willie," continued the teacher, "tell Johnny what the result would be."

"A fight."

I take the distinction upon myself of having found a unique name in the person of Mr. Alive Brollard. Mr. Brollard deals in cigars, and if appearances be not deceitful, is blest with a substantial portion of this world's goods.

What a fund of humor lies in his name. It doesn't take much facetiousness on the part of one to see that Mr. Brollard's success is due to the fact that he is alive business man. Death should have no terrors for him, for even in death he would still be alive. In writing his obituary notice it would be misleading, for instance: "died, Alive Brollard." To one not acquainted with the gentleman this would mean that Brollard died alive, a paradox of the grossest kind.

This straining after the unusual in names for their children, if carried to any excess by parents, is likely to lead to other paradoxes as unseemly as the one mentioned. For instance, suppose a parent—in whose mind there is a love for the bizarre—should name his offspring Death—let us say Death C. Jackson. As long as Death lived he would be the subject and cause of endless confusion. His friends and acquaintances would be innumerable, for where is the man who would not be desirous of the privilege of shaking hands, and becoming acquainted with Death, when it is such a harmless proceeding?

NOTE: The ink on this is hardly dry before that ever faithful messenger, the newspaper, brings to me notice of a man named Death—Wm. Death of New Jersey—who has just received a long term of imprisonment in the penitentiary of that state. Death escaped the death penalty for an atrocious crime he committed, and looks upon himself as very fortunate. If parents like the odd in names let them refrain from those that are supernatural or likely to produce a feeling of awe. Such names as Picnic Wilson, Turkey Givins, Conceit Jones, Turnip Top Green, should furnish oddity enough, and then not cause a cold chill to run down one's back.

"Wall Street, Mandy," said Uncle Josh, "must be a terrible place; just you read this account here in the paper of the bulls and bears that infest it."

TEDDY AND THE BEAR.

a la Munchausen.

Mr. Teddy Roosevelt, vice-president-elect of the United States, while out hunting in Colorado met a bear which put his valor to a very severe test, and after a struggle in his mind between discretion and valor, yielding to discretion he finally took to his heels. A mountain lay in his path, but he broke all records for high jumping when he went over this mountain as if on the wings of morning. Mr. Roosevelt was none the worse for his run and not until he reached his quarters did he realize what a "bear" escape he had.

Mr. Roosevelt, as soon as he saw the bear, opened fire. The ball pierced the bear's heart. This pleased his majesty, the bear so much that he simply removed the ball, and, in his ecstasy, threw a flip. In the meantime, Teddy had raised his gun and sent another bullet, which, striking the bear in the mouth, lodged in his teeth. Using a sliver of wood as a tooth-pick he removed the bullet, at the same time giving a peculiar grunt which, interpreted, means this—"if there be anything I like better than one bullet it is two bullets." After this he was in such a hapyy frame of mind he commenced a ragtime cake walk towards Teddy, whose rifle rang out once more. The bear simply side stepped to let the bullet whiz by, and, with a grunt of satisfaction, continued his ragtime cake walking towards Teddy. Teddy seeing the beast, nothing daunted, emptied the contents of his rifle into him. The latter simply collected these and was going to return them to the former with a few timely grunts on bear hunting, when the former took to his heels. Running from a bear is the greatest insult that can be given him So he, becoming enraged, took out after Teddy, and probably would have caught him had it not been for the aid rendered by a little boy who lay hid in some brush covered with snow. Seizing a handful of snow and converting it into a ball he hurled it at the bear. The snow ball hit him with such force it pierced him. The ball melting and mixing with his blood he became congealed, or, to be plainer, was frozen to death. Thus ended the famous Roosevelt bear hunt.

When it is so a big bruiser of a prize fighter can earn as much, if not more, in six months than our president in a year, isn't a screw loose some where?

Some rules drafted for the benefit of the prima donnas which, owing to the negative nature of them, can well be called "don'ts." Don't take as many as thirteen encores. Ever since our Savior's time there has been attached to the number 13, a peculiar hoodoo, which men studiously avoid. Don't keep on singing when the people begin to hiss. Hissing is generally a prelude to brickbats, rotten eggs, etc

Don't hesitate, when called on, to fol low Patti, Melba or Nordica, for what do you care about such fake singers as they.

Don't keep a clock in your house, for a clock beats and keeps time, and you don't. A clock's a nuisance anyway.

Don't try to sing while the K. P. band is playing; they can furnish enough noise for the time being.

Don't sing in key, it shows an overnicety in training which is sickening.

Don't sing in English; Italian or Chinese is better.

Don't hesitate to take "F" in altissimo. Melba and that class of singers can only sing to high "D." Make them look "cheap" as often as you like.

Don't sing behind Theodore Thomas' orchestra, it would ruin your singing.

Don't fail to sing "Ernani Involamnus" or some other such light song, while you are dressing, it shows what a command you have over the classic roles.

Don't fail to faint when ragtime music is mentioned in your presence, it shows your true prima donna spirit.

Don't ever sing songs like Suwanee River, Kentucky Home or Home, Swee Home, they are too trashy.

England's beloved Queen has passed away. Her reign was the longest in the history of that country and in importance ranks as high as any. No sovereign that has graced the throne of England was so much loved by her subjects as Victoria. Her sterling characteristics of womanhood have made her beloved by all civilized nations as well. The whole civilized world to-day, over the death of this plain, unassuming monarch stands "contracted in one brow of woe." She had a heart so pure, so humane, so full of love that suffering humanity could always make claims there "and have those claims allowed"

TOM THE TATTLER.

BUILDING THE SOUTH.

Divided People Is Hurtful to Any Govment.

(By W. H. Councill.)

No tongue, no pen, nor brush of artist can paint the desolation in the South when General Lee's battle-scarred veterans turned their backs on Appomattox and faced their old homes. The husband, son, father, who had not fallen in battle, or succumbed to disease, and who, amid flying colors and martial strains, went forth from loving hearts and happy homes, four years ago, returned tattered and torn, defeated and humiliated, to broken homes and broken hearts. The South had been scattered. Thousands of graves marked the resting places of the flower of her white sons. Thousands of black chimneys told where mansions once stood. Dismantled towns, a desolate country, want, misery, and death everywhere, were in the wake of armies which had thundered over her territory and wasted her life.

The white people were not only broken in spirit and crushed by the war, but were confronted by problems never seen before in the history of man. The old domestic systems and relations had been shattered. Her civil government destroyed. Her politics blighted by the decision of war. Her Negro population, drunk on new liberty, had fallen a prey to adventurers, and regarded the South as a hostile country. Then there stood another class, many with good intentions, but lacking experience, who sought to reconstruct the South upon ignorance and military power. The wisest Southern white man was perplexed. He had no policy and no power to test one. The Negro was at sea. He had neither helm nor oar, but a thousand delusions had been crammed into his head. He was at the mercy of contending elements. Strangers sought to conduct all Southern affairs, while the old inhabitants should stand aside. Pandemonium reigned. The South thus lay upon her back while inexperience, ignorance and often malicious cupidity, danced upon her bosom. These were the conditions in the South thirty-five years ago.

DIVIDED PEOPLE—HURTFUL FORCES WITHIN

When France began to restore her lost fortunes after the Franco-Prussian war, her people were united in heart, energy, and purse. When the South began to build after the war of the Rebellion, there were no cementing influences among her complex population, but there were unkind hearts in other sections that rejoiced at the troubles. History has no similar conditions in the life of a people. It does not require great wisdom to see what it was necessary to overcome. Nothing but Anglo Saxon grit and faith in itself, and the Negro's faith in his God prevented us from going completely to pieces. Every element in the South stood with the shot gun and knife prepared to slaughter men. Hate and kill stood for love and mercy. All classes were at war—under mutual agreement to be enemies. It required some time for us to see better. It required years to turn from war and ruin to peace and industry. It required years to get sober; for men are drunkest when they drink human blood. The new conditions and relations brought about many a Gordian Knot. It is not a wonder that we have not done more, but it is a marvel that we have done so well. One by one, we have under great trial, most vexing questions, and thank God, one by one, we have settled or ameliorated the adverse conditions. My friends, could you, in similar condition, have done better?

WERE SHUNNED AS LEPERS.

It required years to overcome the bad name brought to us by the lawlessness of lawless men in the South. The world is beginning at last, to make the startling discovery that there are bad things done outside of the South. We have paid dearly for the liberal advertisement given to our few disturbances. The South has been held up as a land of lepers. Men, especially Negroes, who dared to say a good word for the South were regarded with great suspicion. It was fashionable to say hard things about it. But at last the golden sunshine of prosperity has burst from the skies above, and the pall-like clouds which lurked above and around us are being scattered. Our labor, our productions, our manufactures, our unlimited resources, and unrivalled climate present resistless attractions. The world sees that we have been badly misrepresented. There are bold bad men South. They do bold bad things in bold bad ways. But the trend of the South, as a whole, is upward for all that is grand and glorious in the world.

OVERCOMING FALSE NOTIONS ABOUT LABOR.

One of the hardest questions which we had to settle was that in regard to labor. The great planter did not work. His children did not work. The under element of whites tried to imitate them. The Negro associated slavery and work. He married freedom and leisure. It required many a hard lesson to dislodge these false notions. Some of them still linger. But the white boy and the white girl now work. They do any kind of work. The Negro has found out that freedom means toil, hardship, struggle, restraint. Now we all work. We all work hard. Every honest drayman, servant girl, wash woman, mechanic, hotel boy, barber, who does his duty in an intelligent, competent, trustworthy manner, is a king or queen among men. No honest labor is dishonorable. It is more blessed to serve than to be served in any walk in life. The servant girl's hood and apron above an honest heart and educated brain, are as honorable as the college cap and gown.

A NATION IN A NATION.

The growth of "a nation in a nation" in the South is marvelous. The attempt to unrace both, to harmonize their varying natural characteristics has been as unreasonable as to alter any other natural irresistible forces. To change the nature of a people means to kill that people. To help it develop in its own sphere of usefulness, "after its kind" means life. We have in the South two distinct, widely varying races. They differ in everything which makes up social life, just as other races differ in their social make up. These distinct characteristics cannot be changed. Any attempt to alter them fails and produces harm. In their industrial life there is no need of friction—no need of racial antagonism. The Negro may prosper. The white man may prosper. No man should fail.

From Galveston.

Galveston, Tex., special: Mr. David Duncan met with a horrible death Saturday, Jan. 19th. He tried to cross the railroad track on Twenty-fourth street while the switch engine was backing down. In some way the front wheel of the bike twisted between the rails and he was thrown. The cars passed over his head, mashing it to a pulp, killing him instantly. His many friends are sorry to learn of his untimely death. * * Mrs. Eugene Hester, Mrs. Annie Stewart, Mrs. Seline Washington and two sons, Clarence and Edward, were on the sick list last week; also Mr. Ernest Griffith. * * Mr. Jas. A. Stanville's foot was painfully mashed by a lump of pitch, Jan. 17, while working on Pier 12. * * Mr. Thomas Cohen, proproietor of the Three Fives saloon, Market street, between 28th and 29th, takes three copies every week. Also Tom Peterson. * * Mr. Alf Payne, J. Victor, R. Foraman, Miss Hattie Manly, Mr. W. L. Jenkins, Moses Brown, G. B. Rhone, Chas. Hill, the Red Cross Drug Store, the Short Order Restaurant, 66 Jim, Miss A. O'Connors, Mr. Nelson Turner, John Walton, Ed. Wilson, Chas. Bybee, Geo Helm, Tony Marshall, E. B. Brown, Henry Douglass, Ed Graham, Ed. Parks, Terry Rodgers Chinch, Henry Jones and John Norton all take a copy of The Freeman weekly.

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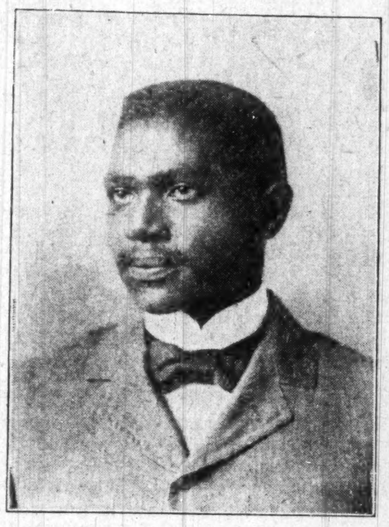
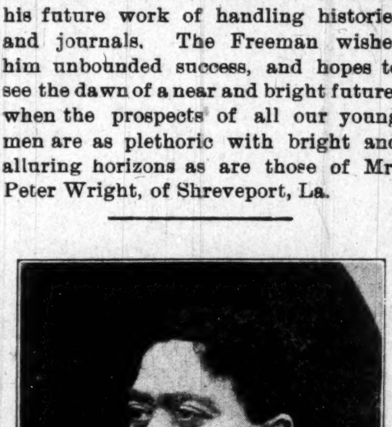


Mr. Peter Wright, Shreveport, La.

The subject of this sketch was born in Atlanta, Ga., in 1875. His parents were then poor and the interesting subject of his future depended on his own exertions. His father sent him to New York to work out his own salvation, and this step was the beginning of his life. He developed into a traveling man and sold notions and jewelry for a long time. Mr. Wright has been identified with that progress that is eventually solving the race problem. He is an earnest and conscientious race man, and is a good example of the young and progressive American Negro. As a traveling man he is a success. His father now is the proud possessor of considerable property and wealth. Mr. Wright's knowledge that has been gained through his extensive travels in the United States and Canada will be of vast benefit to him in his future work of handling histories and journals. The Freeman wishes him unbounded success, and hopes to see the dawn of a near and bright future, when the prospects of all our young men are as plethoric with bright and alluring horizons as are those of Mr. Peter Wright, of Shreveport, La.



J. E. Henderson, Little Rock, Ark.

The subject of this sketch was born in Little Rock, Ark., thirty-two years ago. He was educated in the public schools in the said city. He then resumed work as a porter with the firm of J. V Zimmerman, the oldest jeweler of the State of Arkansas. in which he learned his trade, not by having a teacher or any one whose interest was vested in him, but by will power of his own through twelve years hard labor. He is to-day the most noted, the most complete jeweler of his race. He has a two-thousand-dollar stock of jewelry, together with all necessary implements for manufacturing and repairing. He has repaired over four thousand watches since July 5. 1894; between twelve and fifteen hundred clocks; more than five thousand pieces of jewelry, together with manufacturing, old jewelry into new jewelry He is also a pr ctical optician in connection with his jewelry business. The Negroes of Little Rock and the State of Arkansas have manifested a great appreciation by their liberal patronage towards him as a proficient workman and as a master of his profession.

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Teacher—Now, is there any boy here that can tell me what a Zebra is?

Tommy.—Yes, Sir, I can.

Teacher—Well, Tommy, What is a Zebra?

Tommy—Please, Sir, a Zebra is a donkey with a foot-ball suit on.

An Appeal for the Storm Wrecked Churches of Texas.

To the friends of suffering humanity and the cause of christianity through out the United States:

In the name of Christ Jesus and on behalf of the devastated colored churches covering a territory of ten counties, I, as state superintendent of missions for my people in this state ask every Phylanthropical and missionary church of every shade of doctrine to take up one collection before or after preaching, to aid these poor Texas church members who lost their house of worship on that memorable 8th day of Sept. 1900.

1. Help because more than one hundred and fifty churches were made a total wreck, with scarcely one plank or brick upon another.

2. Help because many of the churches lost scores of their members by death in the storm.

3. Help because many were crippled and made hepless for life.

4. Help because many who was not Killed or hurt lost their homes and all their personal property.

5. Help because the crops in that district was damaged one way or the other quite 75 per cent.

6. Help because many of the members left there alive are gone from home seeking labor.

Lastly.—Help just because it is a laudable cause that God himself will bless the giver for helping. Put yourself in their stead and think the matter over.

FINALLY.

Let each individual who reads this article in The Freeman send me a donation and name this paper and I will not only receipt you personally but also in the colums of the same. Any pastor sending me a collection I will receipt him in the same way. Let every lodge, society or young people's club send a donation.

For my personal reference in regard to my handling money for christian and benevolent work in Texas, write me and I will furnish any number wanted. I have been in Texas for forty years and held every position in the gift of the denomination, almost, from president of the National Convention to the most humble position. Have lived in Dallas twenty five years and moderator of one association for twenty years. Will you please help me as state missionary to rebuild these churches. I am Yours in Jesus s name.

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Madame is the only one in the world who can tell you the FULL NAME of your future husband, with age and date of marriage, tells you whether the one you love is true or false.

There are some persons who believe that there is no truth to be gained from consulting a Medium, but such beliefs are contrary to the truth. It is only from the lack of discrimination that such a conclusion can be reached. It is not everyone who placards himself or herself as a Medium that can stand a test of what he or she claims And a person of any enquiring mind may ask the reason why. It is simply that these advisers do not take the trouble to study human nature. They do not spend their thoughts for a moment with acquiring the art of phrenology and kindred branches that will have a tendency to make the pathway to the road of the business clear and devoid of obstacles.

It is an undeniable fact that persons will come for advice—in full knowledge of what they want to know, and yet as soon as they confront a Medium they try their utmost endeavor to dispel from their minds what they know so as to hear if it will be rehearsed by the Medium. To get the secret out of a person by "pumping," in no few cases, is the art used by many unprincipaled Mediums, but to take hold of the hand and gain control of the mind thereby, is a matter of impossibility to most of them. And yet this can be done, and by consulting MRS. MARTH this seeming mystery becomes a realization.

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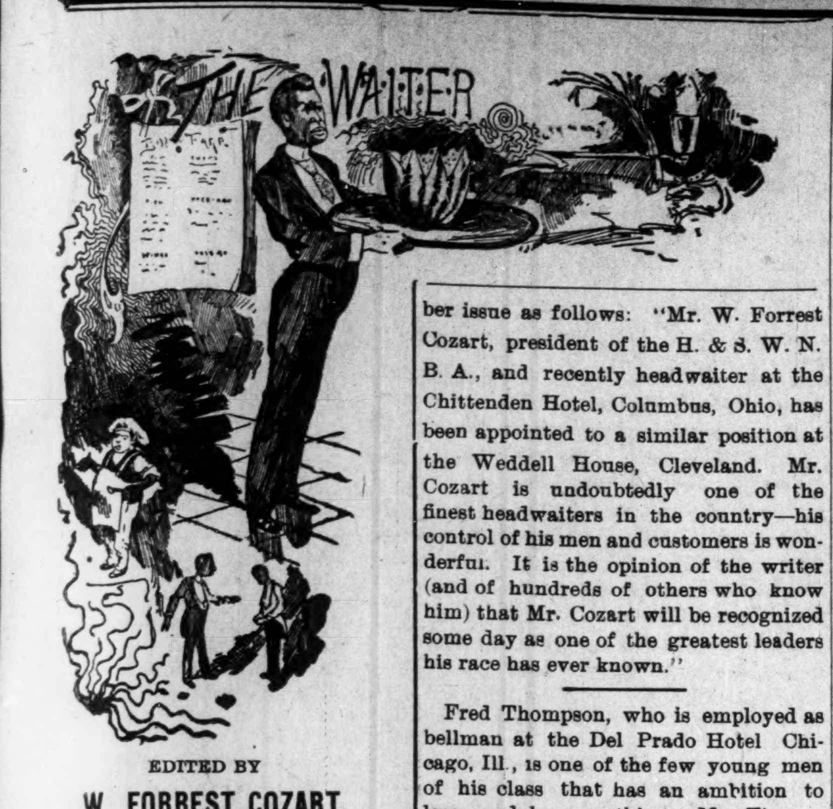


EDITED BY

W. FORREST COZART.

WANTED—To know the address of Mr. D. A. Wesley, a mulatto headwaiter formerly employed at Park Hotel, Hot Springs, Ark., Burnett House, Cincinnati, O., Spalding House, Duluth, Minn., Coats House, Kansas City, Mo., and others. When last heard from was in Chicago, Ill.

Addison Davis is the efficient headwaiter at the Aberdeen Hotel, St. Paul, Minn. Mr. Davis was formerly headwaiter at the Minnesota Club in that city.

A little common, ordinary horse sense goes a long ways in hotel business. This applies to the head as well as the side waiters.

A. L. Butler, formerly at Floyd's Restaurant, Memphis, Tenn., is now headwaiter at the Rapids Hotel, Alexandria, La. Mr, Butler is an aspiring and progressive young man, and will no doubt make a name for himself in the near future. We wish him abundance of success.

G. W. Mitchell is the headwaiter at the Portland Hotel Cafe, Portland, Ore.

J. B. Goins, corresponding secretary of the H. & S. W. N. B. A., is sojourning in Springfield, Ill., where he is mingling with the politicians. We suspect that our friend Goins is looking up a political job.

Samuel Hodges, chef de cuisine, Hotel Oglethorpe, Brunswick, Ga., for the past three years, has resigned on account of poor health, and will recuperate his health at his old home in Montrose, Ala. Mr. Hodges is one of the best colored chefs known by the writer, and we sincerely trust that he will soon return to his profession.

New York City has suffered the loss of two of its most successful hotel men within the last three weeks. They are Hiram Hitchcock and F. J. Allen. Mr. Allen was proprietor of the famous old Fifth Avenue Hotel.

In the death of George Washington Cleveland, Ohio, lost one of its most successful business men, and the race lost one of its loyal sons, true and faithful to every cause, but it may be truthfully said that the headwaiters' association suffered the greatest loss, when the grim reaper claimed George Washington as his own. Like General George Washington, our first president, George Washington's name will live after him and be loved.

Now that the government has ruled that it will refund all tips given by the army and navy officers while traveling from one headquarters to another there will be a marked increase in tipping in general, which will add a few more of Uncle Samuel's coin to the waiter's coffers.

Good colored European plan waiters are in demand, but it requires time, education and study to become a proficient European plan waiter, and herein lies the colored waiter's weakest point. They don't seem to have the knack of studying waiting as a science, but depend upon instinct.

Owing to important literary work W. Forrest Cozart, president of the H. & S. W. N. B. A., has tendered his resignation, to take effect in thirty days.

Wm. Thurston, formerly second waiter at the Forest City House, Cleveland, Ohio, under the late Geo. Washington, has been promoted to the headwaiter's position in that hostelry. The president of the H. & S. W. N. B. A. called upon the proprietors of the Forest City and asked them to appoint a member of the association, and he was assured that they would. Mr. Thurston is a member of the H. & S. W. N. B. A. or he would not have been appointed.

The Cleveland correspondent of the New York Caterer writes in the December issue as follows: "Mr. W. Forrest Cozart, president of the H. & S. W. N. B. A., and recently headwaiter at the Chittenden Hotel, Columbus, Ohio, has been appointed to a similar position at the Weddell House, Cleveland. Mr. Cozart is undoubtedly one of the finest headwaiters in the country—his control of his men and customers is wonderful. It is the opinion of the writer (and of hundreds of others who know him) that Mr. Cozart will be recognized some day as one of the greatest leaders his race has ever known."

Fred Thompson, who is employed as bellman at the Del Prado Hotel Chicago, Ill., is one of the few young men of his class that has an ambition to learn and be something. Mr. Thompson has just purchased a copy of the "Waiters' Manual." It is surprising how few of our young colored boys possess enough ambition to subscribe for a race paper or buy a book written by one of the race, but they can easily be led to go out for a "large evening" and spend several dollars, and the next day feel proud of the act. We hope that more of the young men will follow Mr. Thompson's example and strive to learn something of value.

C. H. Flemming, formerly headwaiter at the Codova Hotel, Beaumont, Tex., is now headwaiter at the Sabine Hotel at Port Arthur, Tex.

Edro Johnson, who was first employed at the Plankinton Hotel, Milwaukee, Wis., in the summer of 1899 as a waiter, has become the leader of the Cream City's Colored "400." At the Masonic charity ball, which was given in that city recently, Mr. Johnson appeared as Prince of Wales, and made a great hit in his faultless costumes. Mr. Johnson is quite a favorite with the "smart set" in the Cream City. In 1894 Mr. Johnson held the position of clerk at the La Vita Hotel, corner of Dearborn St., and Chicago avenue, Chicago, Ill. Mr. Johnson is also a member of the Young Men's Sunday Club. He received his education in the public and high schools of Chicago.

Calvin Byers is successfully filling the position as electrician at the Plankinton. Mr. Byers is an Ohio boy, but has been living in Milwaukee for the past six years. He is a member of the Republican Club, and is an ardent lover of his race. Evidently there is no bar of discrimination against color at the Plankinton. All we ask is that the colored waiter be given a show, and he will be found to be the race's leader of tomorrow.

E M. Crigler, headwaiter at the Culver Military Academy, Culver, Ind., conducted a contest among his waiters, which ended Dec. 19th, and resulted in Woodford Bright winning the prize of five dollars. The contest covered three points—punctuality, work and deportment. If a waiter made perfect in all three points he would be given a 100 mark; if not they would lose ten in each case. A daily report would be posted so each waiter could see his daily average. Although each waiter endeavored to win, Mr. Bright came out ahead after a close finish. We believe this would be a good thing for all hotels to do as an encouragement.

Samuel Hodges, chef de cuisine at the Oglethorpe Hotel, Brunswick, Ga., writes: "W. F. Cozart, dear sir, I read with much interest your lecture in the December 'Caterer,' and think it practical and to the point. In fact it is the best I have yet read; it covers all the ground, therefore it is very instructive." About 1,500 hotel help of all kind passed through Jacksonville recently on their way to the various hotels operated by the Plant system. Several hundred colored waiters and bell boys were among the crew. The Millionaire's Club are getting things in good shape for a successful season. President McKinley and Vice-president elect Roosevelt are expected to visit the club this season as the guests of Cornelous N. Bliss. Mr. B. Alexander, our old headwaiter, has resigned and returned to Atlanta, Ga. He has been succeeded by R. Dixon, of Savannah, Ga., and formerly headwaiter at a hotel on Tybee Islands." Mr. Hodges also says: "I have a copy of your 'Manual,' and from a general standpoint it is all that can be desired as a guide in rendering good service in hotels or restaurants. I find many good and practical points that are worthy of consideration and adoption by a chef. It is my opinion that every class of hotel employes should possess a copy, as one department helps another, and with such a standard every employe in each department can keep in touch with each other."

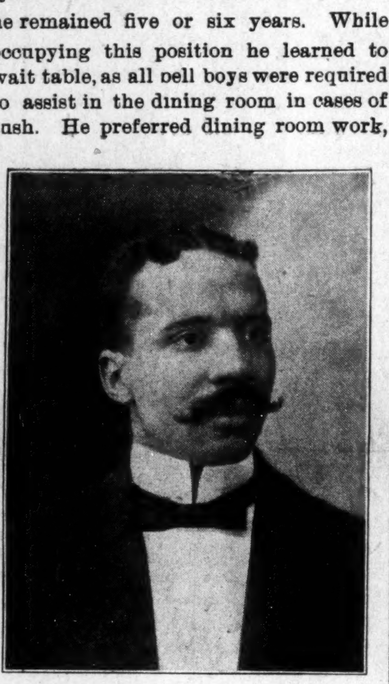
A waiter at the American House, Cleveland, Ohio, struck one of the pantry girls with a cream pitcher, last week. He was arrested and fined fifty dollars and cost. Being unable to pay his fine he is now doing the del sarte on a rock pile. It is a cowardly act in any waiter to make such an assault upon a woman, and he deserves to be punished who commits the deed.

THE EASTMAN HOTEL.

The Eastman Hotel, of Hot Springs, Ark., is manned this season by colored waiters. Mr. Lee A. Lampkins, the genial and hospitable headwaiter of this hostelry, was, last season, second waiter with a white headwaiter, and his services being so far superior in every particular to that of the white headwaiter, he was called upon this season to take the house in charge. Mr. Lampkins, though a young man, has held good positions in some of the best houses of the country. Mr. Alox. Hardin, formerly of the Marcell Catering Company, Omaha, Neb., and recently headwaiter for the Smiley Catering Company, Chicago, Ill., is second waiter; Mr. Harry Jenkins of Chicago, is third waiter, and Wm. L. Coleman, a young young man familiar with his position, is secretary. The crew is made up principally of Northern and Eastern waiters, who went to Hot Springs in a special car chartered by Lampkins. There is no doubt but that the guests of the Eastman Hotel will receive first class service this season.

PROMINENT HOTEL MEN.

In compliance with our desire to enlarge and create greater interest in our "Hotel Department," we present this week the cut and sketch of Mr. John A. Gloster, headwaiter of the Sterling Hotel of Wilkes-Barre, Pa. Mr. Gloster began his hotel life as a bell boy in the Queen's Hotel of Toronto. in 1883, where he remained five or six years. While occupying this position he learned to wait table, as all bell boys were required to assist in the dining room in cases of rush. He preferred dining room work, and used all his energies to become proficient in it. After working in hotels in Montreal and Hamilton he returned to the United States and worked in the Russell and Normandie hotels of Detroit. His first important positions was as second waiter at the Tifft and Mansion Houses of Buffalo and the Hotel Jermyn of Scranton, Pa. He then assumed charge of the dining rooms of the Sterling, January 4, 1899, and has been installed there every since. The house had only been opened five months when he assumed charge, and he has given satisfaction to his proprietors in commensurate with the growth and patronage of the house. The Sterling is a beautiful hotel, with modern improvements and equipments, absolutely fire proof, and is situated immediately on the banks of the renowned Susquehanna river, and comfortably accommodates 450 guests. Mr. Gloster is a member of the Head and Second Waiters' National Benefit Association and believes it to be the proper organization for those men who care for the advancement of dining room service, and who wish their crews to be "up-to-date." His success is attributed to his strict discipline and keeping in touch with the advancements in dining room service. Mr. Gloster was born December 23, 1866, Berlin, Ontario, of American parents, and his early years were spent in Canada, being educated in Canadian schools.



JOHN A GLOSTER

HOUSEHOLD HINTS.

(By Arthur Houston, Chicago, Ill.)

Never make a cake in any tin vessel; it turns it dark.

Acetic acid is vinegar without the coloring matter.

"The art of cooking is to so prepare the food that it will best reach its end."

All wholesome vegetables contain a certain amount of salts of potash.

Tapioca is obtained from a very poisonous tree in South America, but by special washing and heating it is prepared for food.

Rumford's says: That the pleasure enjoyed in eating depends upon the agreeableness of the taste of the food and upon its power to affect the palate.

A loaf of bread loses two ounces in baking.

Scientific name for baked sugar is caramel.

Rice is almost pure starch and is the most easily digested food that we have.

Cheese is the most concentrated food that we have.

Never stir flaked oats while it is cooking, because it becomes slick and unpalatable.

Wheat and other cereals contain from 60 to 70 per cent. of starch.

A pint of olive oil may be worked into the raw yolk of an egg in making mayonnaise dressing.

Since a large proportion of potato is water, it is far better to bake it than cook it in water.

Cooking food is the first step in the digestion of it.

Eggs produce lightness in cakes, bread, etc., because the albumen is elastic and expands.

A pinch of salt and a litle vanilla improves the flavor of chocolate.

Never put an acid into tin.

Do not allow fruit or vegetables to remain in the can after it has been opened.

Mace is the outer coat of nutmeg.

In the event of heating milk always put it on a hot fire, otherwise it is liable to sour.

The scum which rises to the top of milk in heat is albumen.

Never eat a fried egg; it is too hard to digest. Better to eat a shoe sole. Eggs are nice shirred, poached, soft boiled or soft scrambled.

Grades of flour are effected by climate, soil and moisture.

Cottolene is considered very wholesome for all kinds of cooking.

Cayenne pepper is considered the most wholesome of all pepper.

A grain of wheat contains gluten, starch, sugar, husk and mineral matter.

Salt preserves meat by absorbing the moisture.

Always mix bread with a wooden spoon.

Never boil vegetables rapidly, because it spoils them.

Bread made in daylight is best, because the yeast which produces the lightness is a plant and its needs are the same as other plants—light, heat and moisture.

Always put green vegetables on to cook in boiling water.

THE TWENTIETH CENTURY

The Falling and Rising Curtain--An Address Before the G. A. R., at Cincinnati, O., by Rev. D.C. Williams.

Ere the curtain of the Nineteenth Century that stood at half mast during said time has unfolded its scroll and kisses the mother earth, for it is no more of the future, but of the past. It ushered into activity the dawn of a new era, the Twentieth Century, and stands looking back with a glimmering eye upon the past, exclaiming: "I have never tasted of the bitter cup of sorrows, of sad disappointments and vexations of time." This picture presented to us is one of sadness and one of joy; it stands as a scroll upon which man's hands have never encircled a stroke of a pen.

Though the problem if the past rest upon me for which I am not responsible, nor guilty of, but it enters afresh upon the dawn of the Twentieth Century to be solved, and if it is solved satisfactorily in the present century time only will tell, but the gate that stands ajar must be entered. As a race we stand at the gate that was left ajar by the G. A. R. at the fork of the road. Our race has reached the fork of the road and that the direction of our activities must diverge from the beaten path that we have so long pursued is a truth so patent as to be apparent even to the most careless observer, for the nation no longer views the Negro as a ward and the public has ceased to judge him with indolence. The time has come when the Negro is regarded simply as a citizen and a man and the fact of his race is no longer regarded as an excuse for any of his short-comings. The world now judges him by exactly the same standard that applies to other races, and if the estimate of the race is low it is because said race falls far short of the universal standard by which its worth is estimated. We applaud a child when it takes its first step in learning to walk, but we do not think of applauding a man because he can walk. If he can not walk we pity him and if he does walk we say nothing of it, but we expect each man to do just about the same as other men are able to do upon the stage of life as this world rolls on. Hark! Listen! I hear the choir of the angelic host bringing to us a new born king. It tells us that the incoming year makes the thirty-eighth anniversary of our freedom and it is right and fitting that all of our people should join heartily in the celebration of an event for which they would never cease to be grateful, both to their earthly benefactors and a beneficent Father, who rules and overrules in their behalf. We should enter more heartily into this celebration than the people of this country enter into the celebration of the Declaration of Independence. That Declaration freed this country from a political servitude and industrial oppression which could in no manner compare with the physical servitude and horroring condition from which the Emancipation Proclamation delivered us. There are soldiers in all parts of the United States and soldiers here. There are many of our people living today who can bear testimony to the inhuman and barbarous conditions of American slavery, and for such people the first day of January should ever be a great and sacred day. But it is not enough that the actual victims of that foul blot upon the execution of the nation should celebrate of their deliberation, but their descendents, their posterity for all time should make that day a red-letter day and hand down to the coming generations the name of Lincoln, Garrison, Douglass, Grant, Summers, John Brown, Colonel Shaw and a host of others that I might speak of who contributed so much to the freedom of the American Negro. The past century has been a great century, but I hear the voice of another spoken, when the morning stars sang and the sons of God shouted together for joy that mark the beginning of the Christian era. When man's Redeemer came to earth and broke the shackles of sinful slavery that hung over man, it has been an age of progress, of commercial greatness, of political excitement and of large religious movements. History will note the fact that as far as the country is concerned the colored man has been a most prominent figure in nearly all of the achievements of the past century. The Nineteenth Century found him a slave, but the Twentieth Century commences with him a freeman, better off in every respect than he was in the beginning. His status as a man, as a citizen and as a lawful part of the body politic is one of the many questions which the present century will consider. It is to be hoped that at the close of it the Jim Crow car, the disfranchising of States, the lynching and the burning at stakes will have been obliterated. It is for our sons and daughters to answer the questions which have entered upon the stage of activity, What will the harvest be?

The American nation was but a feeble, struggling infant at the beginning of the last century, but it met the incoming century as a strong man and vigorous nation, recognized as a world-power. At the beginning of the Nineteenth Century we were but an experiment, but the new century finds us an established fact, a potent factor for good and the great demonstrations of the capabilities of our people as a race we meet the new century prepared to wrestle with its many complex problems. All the old methods of the dying century will not apply to the changed conditions of the new and the people of this country must learn that the old Negro dwarfed and hindered by the depressing effects of slavery died with the century and that a new Negro trained, strengthened and equipped by the fierce contests of the past to take his place. The worn-out traditions of a dead past must no longer fetter him.

We are able to look into the new century with greater confidence and with greater race pride than he was at the beginning of the past century, for we now have the record of our achievements behind us and the promises of greater possibilities ahead of us. Sir, my comrades, you entered the Civil War when the nation was assaulted from all parts of the South by deadly foes and literally upon a sea of wars. No ark appeared upon the troubles waters; the ship of state with flag at half mast was drifting, drifting; disaster after disaster perched upon the banner of the nation; appeal after appeal went up to Washington for troops. Benjamin F. Butler, of Louisiana, wired that unless assistance should arrive at a given time he would carry the war into Africa, and receiving no reply he formed the Navy Guard, who entered without recognition or pay, strapped their knapsacks upon their backs, their musket upon their shoulder and spilt their lifeblood, which saturated the cottonfields, that we might have liberty and freedom. At this juncture Governor John A. Andrews, of Massachusetts, having learned that the sons of Ham had come forth as a man to do battle for himself, he proceeded to organize the Fifty-fourth Massachusetts, to which Colonel Shaw led you out victorious at the battle of Fort Wagner, which united you to the great heroes of to-day. Bunker Hill, Red Bank, Port Hudson, New Orleans, Petersburg, Lake Erie and Fort Sumter. You met the Nineteenth Century and conquered the latter part of it, and now you have stepped over to the Twentieth Century, but before you have reached the end of this one it will have conquered all that assembles here. I trust we shall all meet again in that happy Pilgrim land, after we have emptied the old tin cup and the old tin pan—then we shall march to Caanan's happy land.

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Baroness.—But how is this? you haven't marked all of them with my monogram.

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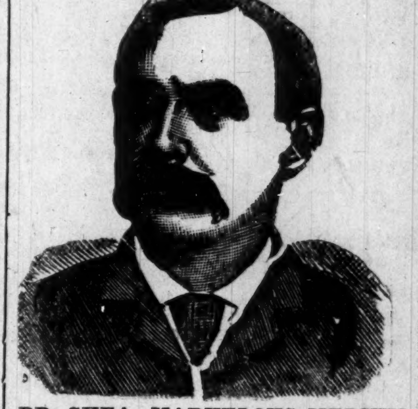

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ALBERT AYRES.
Plainfield, N. J.

A SENSATION IN BROOKLYN—A MINISTER'S STATEMENT:

I wish to state that one of my parishoners was sick and in trouble for a long time, Mrs. Brown, 37 Ga street. No one seemed to understand her case. She had seyeral doctors, but none of them seemed to know what was the matter. None could do her any good. It was my duty as her pastor to call and see her. On hearing of the wonderful work being done by Dr. Shea the last few years, I thought I would call and see him myself. I found him a sympathetic gentleman. And he gave me a wonderful test of his powers; told me to send him a lock of the patient's hair, which I did by her daughter. Then he told at once what was the matter, and in a short time cured her sound and well. Her family had seemingly been under a cloud. Now all is changed. All are well and prosperous. I can truly and heartily recommend Dr. Shea to all those in sickness or distress of any kind.
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From the flood of light that Congress has thrown on the disfranchising question it appears that there is but very little to be expected of a Supreme Court decision that will benefit the race. The possible good result is locked between two opposing conditions. It has been clearly shown that States may disfranchise its citizens for other reasons than those cited in the constitution. Congressman Crumpacker, in his speech on the question, says:

> "No State may disfranchise citizens on account of race, color or previous condition of servitude, but they may disfranchise on any other account"

"They may disfranchise on any other account" is where all the harm lies. The final judgment of those "other accounts" resides in the State, the constitution having been obeyed in the letter, the States that disfranchise, it will be seen, will have the better of the situation. The other opposing condition is that it is conceded that there will be no reduction of representation. This determination is the one that appears the Gordion Knot that unriddles the whole business with dispatch if not with justness. The constitution plainly says that it for other accounts States do disfranchise they must suffer loss of representation in Congress. Congressman Crumpacker, speaking to that point, says:

> "But, sir, if they restrict the right of suffrage of male citizens 21 years of age by raising the age limit, by educational laws, by property qualifications, or by any other method within their constitutional authority, except for crime, the basis of representation must be reduced accordingly."

It will be seen that the two opposing conditions leave but little room for hope. To have reduced representation based on the disfranchising theory would have legalized those acts. Other States would have soon caught the disfranchising fever whenever they felt they had grievances against the Negro, knowing full well that a slight reduction in its representation in Congress would pay the cost.

The "State Capital" of Ohio is anxious that the President appoint a Negro boy as a cadet to West Point. Now that sounds nice enough, but we have too many essentials to be looking after, without the "frills and frappe." The experience of Negroes at West Point has been somewhat discouraging—split ears not to speak of tobasco sauce," Wooden Willies" and the rest of the barbarous vernacular. Nobody is honing to go to West Point where one must be born again. But, in all seriousness, the agitation of such an appointment would do much to further strain the relation now existing between the races. The whole race cannot afford to suffer in contending for an honor that helps the very few. This is no surrendering any rights as it used to be said. The stout contention for certain rights brings its own reward. A Negro has a right to aspire to the presidency. Is it expedient? Not at all. Its time now to saw wood and wood only for some time to come. We are in the dark to some extent.

The colored people of Cincinnati will establish a bank to be managed by colored men. It will be a savings bank in keeping with the demands of the race. The necessity for such institutions is not apparent, yet they give employment to the product of schools that would not be employed otherwise. Looking at the matter from that standpoint; all such movements are to be encouraged. The South has long since had institutions of this kind. Washington and St. Louis have a bank each managed by colored men. They have prospered up until this time. They act like the other folks. Indianapolis is a little hide bound, but it could by judicious exercise loosen up its skin and do something like its neighboring cities.

The Baptist Vanguard is telling an interesting story (by courtesy) of how Dr. Boyd, of Nashville, Tenn., started a publishing house and made a fortune without having one cent—not one, mind you. There are quite a number of people who would rather not have read the fish story of the Bible; they say so; but that's another story in the language of Kipling. The stories of that description all wind up by "saying and he livesthere until this very day." But Dr. Boyd, fortunately, is living. He should be consulted. He will throw off the fee in a case of this kind, otherwise we would suggest leaving him alone.

Congressman White has secured the passage of a bill, the provisions of which provide for a home for aged Negroes, to be located at Washington. The money appropriated, amounting to about two hundred thousand dollars, is the unclaimed amount due Negro soldiers. The appropriation will be considered just, and will be of vast benefit to those who have not laid aside something for the days of old age, but through no fault of their own. It is far better than that foolish ex-slave pension scheme that created such a stir, but promised nothing.

The Pythian Journal of St. Louis, a new publication, is a neat appearing sheet, issued monthly. The good looking features of Sir W. M. Johnson, grand keeper of records and seal, assistant editor and secretary of the Pythian Journal, adorns the front page along with Sir Peter Brooks. Brother Johnson's title, so long and significant, must have been earned by some brave and daring deed.

'Twas not his to reason why,
'Twas only his to go or die,
And he went,
Or else they sent him.—Brave Knight.

A co-operative association of colored men has been formed in this city. Their object is to embark in a business enterprise. Dr. B. J. Morgan is one of the leading spirits in the movement. There are signs of a healthy growth. It should be encouraged because it is in the right direction. Negroes must save themselves if they would be saved.

Dr. Hiram J. Revels, of Holly Springs, Miss., who recently died, was at one time a United Senator, the first Negro to serve his country in that capacity. He filled out an unexpired term from February, 1870, to March, 1871.

John J. Jones, of the Illinois Legislature, has introduce a bill in that body for the suppression of mob law.

MUNCIE, IND., Jan. 14, 1901.

I see by the paper that the Liberian Colonization Society is preparing to send 300 colonist to Liberia, this month I wish you would inform me where the head of this society is located and send me the names of some of the leading members of the society.

I remain yours,
L. E. FLETCHER.

To Whom it May Concern:

Persons in a position to give such information, please do so and oblige.

EDITOR FREEMAN.

A Word for Our Mr. Thompson.

Mr. R. W. Thompson, the brilliant correspondent, is again upon the Indianapolis, Ind., Freeman. His first installment, a four column letter, styled "In Wondrous Washington," is a very interesting one.—National Leader, Alexandria, Va.

GOOD ENOUGH.

There was a "Jim Crow" law
In an old "Jim Crow" State.
It went to Washington and saw
About its funny fate.

The man with a gown
Says he, "you're lucky;
To the core you're sound
Enough for the "Niggers" of Kentucky.

PENCILINGS.

They are now discussing how a man may lengthen out the brittle threads of his life, or even to extend it to the allotted span—three score years and ten. It has been suggested that salt, owing to its curative and preservative properties, is a very useful agent. Pepper is also suggested, but just why no one knows. Its pungency may be its forte. "Pungent" is not far from pugnacious, which, in other words, means "very hot"—its resisting ability due to its pugnacity is all that can be gotten out of pepper.

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It is the philosopher's stone again, which was the dream of the middle ages. Just as the beautiful rose colored concoction had settled down to its best self, when the highly distilled elixir was ready for its mission of rejuvenation, when, lo! the bursting of this vessel or that and ergo the work must be done over. Something has happened at every test, and the old chemist dropped to his grave from sheer exhaustion, but with never dying faith in his formula.

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There may be no such things as invisible hands of the departed playing about during night or day to protect, but there are sometimes influences and counter influences that may avert earthly catastrophies. There is nothing supernatural in being watched and hedged about by unknown hands except in appearances that sometimes cheat the eyes If we have friends standing as guardian angels it will not matter whether we know them or not. Charity and justice are supposed to be veiled. No one cares to tear away the bandages if they are really blind and no hypocrits. The following to unknown hands may be libellous as it concerns poetry, but here it goes.

Hands of foes and those of woes,
Would destroy us in their grasp,
Bat greater hands yet than those,
Can deaden the deadly clasp.
To those hands unknown would I join my own
And ho, for a roundelay,
I'd twine them round my heart's best throne
To linger until judgment day.—Lewis.

As Dr. Holmes in his Autocrat of the Beakfast Table might say; one of the boarders looked at me with an inquisitive glance as if to ask "got any more? "Just a little."

Vexed life's gait and the hands of fate
With their battles will soon be o'er.
The hands that hate their loving mate
Will be lost in Jordan's roar.

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Booker T. Washington is saying some splendid things to his students in his Sunday afternoon talks. They are plain talks, telling, convincing. He tells them just what they are there for without mincing matters. He takes the bull by the horns; he is right. His task is growing none the less daily.

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Some editors have a penchant for big words. The editor of The Freeman pleads guilty to the indictment, but urges self defense. Negroes, as a rule, use very lengthy words, and unless you are able to come up to this requirement your education is considered woefully lacking.

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No one as yet has ever attempted to explain why Negroes use such long words, even in the most ordinary conversation, if there is an air of business about it The most peculiar part about the matter is that failure to pronounce correctly or even to use a word incorrectly does not disturb the speaker. He desires, also, to do the entertaining regardless of your ability along the same lines. Is it inherited?

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Mr. R. W. Thompson is gaining deserved popularity and honorable reputation as a writer of force as the result of his very excellent letters from Washington, D. C., now appearing in The Freeman. He is doing a prodigious work as the amount of matter he sends out plainly indicates. As a writer Mr. Thompson ranks easily among the best in this land.

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Mr. J. H. Lott, attorney and a very good looking man, is still conducting his campaign with his characteristic vigor for the Recordership of Deeds at Washington. It is said that he has the endorsement of the Senators from this State. If such be the case, he ought to have very plain sailing. It is generally understood that such endorsement brings something. He has also the support of the entire delegation in Congress from Indiana. With such abundant support Mr. Lott should secure his desire. We congratulate him for the widespread interest manifested in him. The Freeman has nothing but the best wishes for him in his candidacy.

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The Daily Evansville, Ind., News has the following to say of our well-known attorney:

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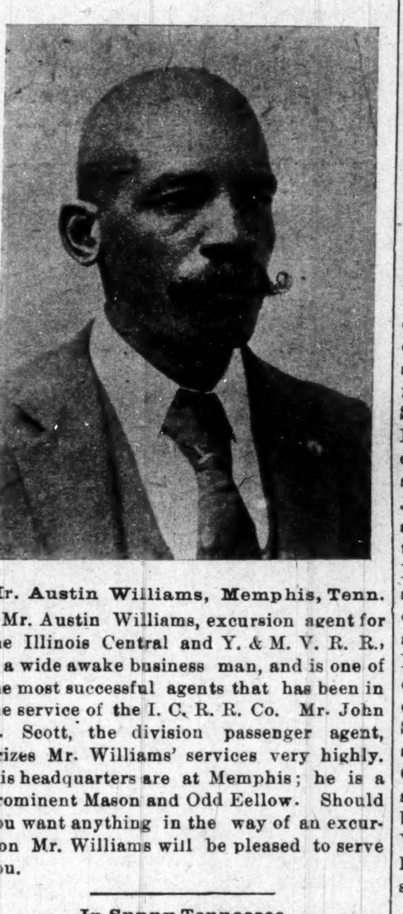
MEMPHIS CHRONICLES.

Brief Report of the Happenings in That Southern City.

Memphis, Tenn., Special.—Arthur Polk has been appointed to a position in Springfield, Ill., by the government. Madison Turner, a popular young man of Vicksburg, Miss., is now in our city at 22 Allen ave. Mr. Moore, one of the oldest tonsorial artists in the city, has moved his shop to 49 Beale street. P. M. Jordon has just returned to our city after a few month's absence, when he leaves the city again he will go to Huntsville, Ala., where he will visit his relatives. Miss Mamie Burrell, of North Carolina, is in the city. Mr. Jones, the headwaiter at the Peabody cafe, has returned after spending a week in Arkansas hunting. E. B. Bennett is now one of our best tonsorial artists at 119 Beale street, and is doing a good business. Rev. Wm. Flagg pastor of Avery chapel, preached an able sermon Sunday, Jan. 20, subject, "Have faith in God and all clouds of darkness will pass away." The members of the church are making a determined effort to rid it of all indebtedness. Rev. H. W. White, of Oklahoma City, held a revival meeting at the Metropolitan church; he will return home soon. We, the agent of The Freeman, invite all of the young ladies and men that wish to be agents of The Freeman to a meeting at 27 Turley street Friday night, Feb. 1, and would like very much to get the cuts of some of our prominent men in the city. Miss Janye Toler of, 22 Allen ave., was on the sick list last week but is up again and at school as usual. Robert White a popular young waiter of this city, died Jan. 22, and was buried on the following day. The colored auditorium that is being built by R. R. Church will be one of the finest of its kind in the city, and we hope that when it is finished we will have some of the finest plays that are traveling and will thank Mr. Church for his building as it will be for the colored race.



Mr. Austin Williams, Memphis, Tenn.

Mr. Austin Williams, excursion agent for the Illinois Central and Y. & M. V. R. R., is a wide awake business man, and is one of the most successful agents that has been in the service of the I. C. R. R. Co. Mr. John R. Scott, the division passenger agent, prizes Mr. Williams' services very highly. His headquarters are at Memphis; he is a prominent Mason and Odd Eellow. Should you want anything in the way of an excursion Mr. Williams will be pleased to serve you.

In Sunny Tennessee

Dyersburg, Tenn., Special.—"Every Knee Shall Bow, and Every Tongue Shall Confess Unto God" was Elder Rosser's text Sunday, Jan. 27. Miss Ethel Mitchell, of Milan, spent Sunday with Miss Nettie Ledsinger The E. P. C. society met at the home of Jack Cornell Friday night with Elton Clements, president. John Gaines, a popular porter of the I. C. R. R., spent Sunday with Miss Camille Olliver and Miss Mary Rogers. Robert Heggs has charge of the kitchen in the T. P. A. hotel, and Otho Sawyers is headwaiter. Lewis Sothern, Sr., is on the sick list. Poston Tyus was in from the Band mill and spent Sunday with his family. Mrs. Maude Rudd is home from Paducah. Miss Estelle Hillman, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Nelson Austin, left for her home at Millington, Tenn., Sunday morning. Minutes of the 19th Annual Conference of the West Tennessee of the C. M. E. church, held at Humbolt, can be had by applying to Elder Rosser; price 10 cents, get a copy. Mrs. Stella Hayes, who has been visiting friends in Paducah, Ky., is home again. Martin Enochs, a bright and promising young man and one of the leaders of the Dyersburg Juvenile Silver Cornet band, is teaching the newly organized band at Halls, Tenn. The colored troupe in a "Trip to Coontown" gave a performance at the opera house last Tuesday night and their play was something rich. Cole & Johnson, the star comedians, have never been excelled on the Dyersburg stage. Many were the encores, and the large audience was kept in an almost continuous roar of laughter. The whole company acquitted themselves in grand style.

DuQuoin's Doings.

DuQuoin, Ill., Special.—A. M. E. Zion church, under the pastoral charge of Dr. W. A. Ely, is striving to raise $500 by Easter Sunday. Pink Johnson, of Memphis, Tenn., is visiting his sister, Mrs. Henry Turner of S. Walnut street. Mrs. Browder entertained a number of her friends at her residence on West Main street, Saturday evening from 8 to 12. L. White, one of our leading young men, is now in St. Louis, where he will make his home until spring. Thomas Jackson is reported better at this writing. Mrs. Ida Powers is on the sick list. The soire given by the West Side boys was certainly an occasion of the century; many were present and all report a pleasant time. Alexander Johnson, of Trenton, Tenn., is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Henry Turner on S. Walnut street. Mrs. Broy J. Cardwell and children are the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Bland, 210 W. South street. The Nashville Students were greeted with a large audience, and the show was fine. The Freeman can be purchased every Saturday at 210 W. South street; Gertrude C. Bland agent. All subscribers for The Freeman will please be ready to pay their subscriptions when the agent comes around. Subscribe for The Freeman.

From the Lone Star State.

Navasota, Tex., Special.—Farmers are very busy on their farms in this section of the country. Willie Smith has returned from Galveston, and has accepted a compromise with the H. & T. C. R. R. company for his injury received from them. Samuel Hayes has entered suit against the railroad for injury received, causing him to have his right leg amputated. He is up again and doing quite well. Mrs. Susan Jones has returned from Ennis, where she spent a few days with her husband, N. Jones, who is pressman in the Ennis Oil mill. Miss Emma M. Hayes has returned from Dallas and several North Texas points. The beautiful parlor of Robt. Grice was thrown wide to the young people Friday night, who enjoyed a good time. Ed Lynch, the West end mixologist, is an admirer of The Freeman. Miss Pearl Banks and James Henson were quietly married at the home of the bride. Miss Banks is one of our purest flowers and Mr. Henson is a prosperous young farmer. Mr. McHughes, of Tyler, has accepted a position with F. Constant in his elegant tonsorial parlor. Pete Galvan made a business trip to Galveston. P. E. Bryant is still holding his audiences spell bound with his eloquence. Rev. W. Hartley Jackson filled the pulpit at Lee Tabernacle Sunday night. He is a christian gentleman and a race worker of no small merit. Mrs. P. H. Worthington has returned from an extended visit to South and West Texas. Rev. J. E. Featherstone is improving slowly.

Recent Happenings.

Clarksville. Tenn., Special.—Mrs. Harry Martin, who was suddenly stricken down with a paraletic stroke Jan. 6 died after a lingering illness on the 13. Mrs. Martin was one of the most valuable women of Clarksville, being the daughter of Dick Roberts, a pioneer citizen of the state. Rev. C. R. Johnson, who recently suffered a paralytic stroke, has recovered and is on duty again at the public school. Rev. Mr. Clark, of Henderson, Ky., has returned home to resume pastoral duties, after a pleasant stay with his wife, Mrs. J. M. Clark. Miss Clara Hawkins, who recently closed her school in Russelville, Ky., has entered Fisk university for balance of the season. Mrs. C. Watson and Bettie Dix are recuperating from la grippe attacks. J. S. Smith has recently employed Miss Ruby Rice as a saleslady. Miss Jessie Dixon, daughter of Alderman N. Dixon, took seriously ill at Trenton, Tenn., Wednesday, Jan. 16. Her sudden illness produced great alarm, causing her father to hasten thither to her relief. She is now improving. Gus Runyon has again been rejected as a pensioner by the examiners, on the grounds of no disability. This decision is final, and after ten years of unsuccessful attempts Mr. Runyon "throw up the sponge in gloom of defeat." The Clarksville Bee is the name of a local paper conducted by Revs. J. W. Smith and C. R. Johnson. Miss Callie Carr arrived in the city Sunday, Jan. 20, from Guthrie, Ky., to spend the day here. Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Hudson have a new member in the family. When in the city call on W. L. Johnson and get The Freeman and all leading colored journals at 166 S. First street.

Henderson Cullings.

Henderson, Ky., Special.—Rev. Eastin, the founder of St. Clement's mission, preached a very interesting sermon Sunday morning. Wm. Cabell, of Indianapolis, is in the city visiting his mother, Mesdames Ella Williams and Susie Carr, who have been on the sick list, are now convalescent. Rev. W. E. Clark has returned from a visit to relatives at Clarksville, Tenn. His wife who has been there some time returned with him. Mrs. Ellen Casey and daughter Miss Russie have returned to their home in Caseyville after a pleasant stay with Mrs. Sallie Pollard. Thomas Gilchrist and Miss Dora Ray were married Jan 5 at the bride's residence. Mrs. Maria Rankin who has been ill with rheumatism is able to be out again. Messrs. Capleton Porter and Henry Hollowell are on the sick list. Mrs. Monie Cooper died Jan. 19, and was buried Jan. 20. Four sons survive her decease.

Vickburg, Miss., Interests.

Dr. Spicer died January 13, after a long illness; he was a member of the Knights of Pythias lodge, also of the Mt. Heroden Baptist church, where his funeral was attended Tuesday, Jan. 15, at 2:30 p. m.; Rev. A. A. Hamilton officiated. He leaves a wife and children and a large circle of friends behind. The special prayer meetings going on nightly at King Solomon Baptist church are very successful. Mrs. Victoria L. Lovelady died at her home in Yazoo City Monday, Jan. 14. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vandergriff, on S. Pearl street. Her remains were shipped to the city for interment, and the funeral was attended at Bethel A. M. E. church Wednesday, Jan. 16; Rev. G. W. Porter officiated. She leaves a devoted husband, father, mother, sisters and brothers and a large circle of friends to mourn her.

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FROM PADUCAH

News Gathered by Our Hustling Correspondent

Paducah, Ky., Special.—Phil Banks, of Mayfield, was the guest of his sister in law, Mrs. Rachel Davis, last Sunday. Mrs. Mary Lawrence will leave for her future home in Memphis, Tenn., next week. Mrs. Amanda Davis, of Madinson street, is dangerously sll. Parties having invitations, bills or notices to distribute or collect will please call on me at J. W. Moore's grocery store, 7th and Adam streets, for good services, David Pitman, The Freeman agent. Wm. Simpson is indisposed. Bob Davis, formerly of this city, lost his right arm on the T. P. R. R., not long since; he is in the Cherry hospital, New Orleans. Get The Freeman, price 5c all over town. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Fowler, of Washington street, are mourning the loss of their little daughter, Ednora, who died Wednesday Jan. 23, and was buried the next day. Mrs. Jane McCluer, of Woodville, Ky., is in the city residing with her daughter in law, Mrs. Robert McCluer. Miss Ruth Cartwright, of this city, closed her school in McCanesburg after a successful session. A large crowd went out to witness the closing exercises of Robert McClure's school at Johnson Shops. Isaac Scott, one of our young barbers, has resigned his pesition on account of ill health, and has accepted the position of headwaiter at the LaBloom hotel, 10th and Broadway. Charles Rickett is indisposed. James Holland, of Mayfield, Ky., was the guest of J. W. Moore last Sunday. Will you please pay me for your paper, as it takes money to run the press, and I can't get the papers unless I pay for them, so you must surely pay me now for I am broke; the agent. Rev. J. W. Hawkins is ill. Francis Turner, of the Maxon mills section, spent last Sunday in the city visiting his mother and relatives. Please buy a Freeman from the little boy on the street to encourage him. Ed. Reynolds passed the U. S. protectors examination for pilot license to operate on the Ohio and tributary rivers.

Interesting Points.

Selma, Ala., Special: Last Saturday afternoon Frank Webb, while assisting in the removal from a freight car of some heavy slabs of stone, met an untimely death. The ropes that held the great wooden arm of the derrick used to raise the stone snapped as the windless tightened them and the heavy timbers came down, striking Webb full in the head. He was killed instantly. The famous Whitman Sisters, musical artists and entertainers, closed a successful engagement of two weeks last Thursday night at the First Baptist Hall. Messrs. Shackelford and Sullivan are preparing to present an excellent comedy drama, "Josiah's Courtship," for the benefit of the Christian Endeavor Society of the A. M. E. Church. Miss Lizzie Du Bois will give a grand musical symposium for the benefit of the First Baptist Church at an early date. Miss Alice Gibbs, who has been a visitor to our city for the past three months, returned to her home, Yazoo City, Miss., last week. Mr. Alex. Walker, proprietor of the Lunch Saloon, is improving. Mr. Walker has been ill for some time. John L. Garrett, proprietor of the Alabama Minstrels, home talent, is preparing for his annual performance in March. La grippe is quite prevalent now and many of our people are confined to their beds with it. An article in the Selma Record a few days ago on "Music" has caused some comment and as a result the churches of the city will have better choirs. The First Baptist Church has made some great improvements in theirs, and it won't be long before the other churches—Brown's Chapel, Zion, the Congregational and Tabernacle—will have better choirs. Copies of The Freeman can be had at the Union Drug Co. Dr. Tomlinson will serve you. Call for one. Messrs. Moten and Smith, the new grocers, on Alabama street, are daily growing in favor. Their line of goods is fresh and they sell them cheap. As an enterprising business man, Mr. Charles Lee stands in the front rank. He has by hard word made rapid strides. His bicycle emporium is overstocked with everything in that line and compares favorably with any white or colored in the State.

A MISLEADING STATEMENT

Which Is Detrimental to Ambitious Youth!

To Editor of The Freeman.

SIR:—The following statement appeared in the columns of the "Republican Guide," of Baltimore, Md., under date of Jan. 19:

> "For the ambitious colored man in the United States the avenues of advancement are practically limited to work among his people. He cannot enter into the large business pursuits or ply a profession among his white countrymen. He might write a book."

That the ambitious Afro-American has no alternative but to cater exclusively to other members of his race, is an assertion which the records of various cities will refute with such damaging data, that whoever wrote the said article mentioned above, will be forced to acknowledge that hastiness and ambiguous assertions will not so unchallenged in the Afro-American press. We have intimate information concerning several afros who are engaging lucrative positions wherein they are thrown daily in contact with caucasians are in the same profession, and it is to their ability which keeps them to the fore just the same as any pursuit, where trains must combat with trains to reach the goal of perfection.

The idiotic wailing that "the avenues of advancement are practically limited to work among his people," sounds like the procrastinations of a dreamer, whose opportunities have been dreamed away in some barber shop, mid the pandemoniums of biblican disertations.

All the afro needs to do is to hustle, whether the conditions are favorable or not, and if he does not forget the fact that he is an Afro-American, he'll have his ability recognized by caucasians whose mental acumen is not marked by prejudicial biases.

J. A.

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RUSCO & HOLLAND'S NASHVILLE STUDENTS.—Columbia, Pa, Feb 2; Lebanon, 4; Pottsville, 5; Hazleton, 6; Mahanoy, 7; Ashland, 8; Mt Carmel, 9

BLACK PATTI TROUBADOURES (Voelckel and Nolan managers)—Carthage, Mo., Feb 2; Jo lin, 4; Webb City, 5; Fort Scott, 6; Nevado, 7; Butler, 8; Rich Hill, 9

THE ZOO (Frank C. Bostock, director)—Glasgow Scotland, continuous and indefinite

MCCABE & YOUNG'S MINSTRELS.—Harlan, Iowa, Feb 1; Manning, 2; Carroll, 4; Denison, 5; Ida Grove, 6; Mapleton, 7; Onawa, 8; Sioux City, 9

THE ZOO (Frank C. Bostock, director)—Baltimore, Md. continuous and indefinite

COONTOWN 400." (Lee Moses, Mgr.)—Lenark, Ill, Feb 2; Savanak, 4; Gelena, 5; Manchester, Iowa, 6; Earlville, 7; Arlington, 8; Fayette, 9

THE ZOO (Frank C. Bostock, director)—Milwaukee, Wis, continuous and indefinite

HARRISON BROS' NEW AND ANCIENT SOUTH CO—Ci ra, Fla, Feb 2; Ocala, 4; Leesburg, 5; Sumpterville, 6; Dade C ty, 7; Port Tampa, 8

CANADIAN JUBILEE SINGERS.—Toronto, Canada, Feb 4 to 10

THE ZOO (Frank C. Bostock, director)—Indianapolis, Ind, continuous and idefinite

J. Ed. Green is now at 171 21st street, Chicago, Ill

Willie Camille sends regards to John Rucker and Ollie Brown.

Charley Ersip, of Macon, Mo., would like to hear from P. G. Lowery.

Bart Kennet, the magician, would like to hear from Chas. Hunter.

Dayton, O.—Sam Lucas is still with Cole & Johnson's "Trip to Coontown."

Buddie Glenn would like to hear from Emmet Davis, and sends regards to all friends.

Julius McGill, of the James A. Herne Sag Harbor Co., visited The Freeman office last Thursday.

Constant Reader.—At present can not give you Rusco & Holland's route. Write care Freeman.

Billy McClain writes from Sydney, Australia, that he has signed a two years' contract with Harry Rickards. He is now at Tivoli Theatre.

Dock Crockett, Nashville, Tenn.—"Liver Lip Sam," now in Australia. 2. The Blackstone Quartette, of Chicago.

Clemo and Flozo are hitting 'em hard with their new act, entitled, "The Frog and the Alligator," and send regards to all friends.

John Norton sends regards to the members of A. G. Allen's minstrels. Henry Douglass sends regards to Bobby Kemp, S H. Dudley and Emmet Davis

Harry "Rastus" Waters is now in Indianapolis, owing to the closing of Scott's minstrels. He has several good offers, and is a valuable man with any organization.

Clarence Powell, late of Scott's minstrels, writes that he will play dates the balance of the season, and will be seen with the "Big uns" next season Permanent address, Orange, N. J.

McKissick, of McKissick and Jones, with Rusco & Holland's minstrels Co., has been on the sick list for the past four weeks; he is improving now and sends regards to Bradley and Bradley.

The many friends of J. Harry Jackson, formerly dramatic editor of The Freeman, will be glad to know that he has recovered from a severe case of the la grippe. He is now in New York City.

Fred Irwin's big show closes a successful week at the Empire theatre Indianapolis, tonight. Next week "Irwin's Majestics" will hold the boards. Manager Zimmerman is giving his patrons the best on the road.

Ben Stegal, formerly of the East Saginaw Club, Saginaw, Mich., is now the mixologist of the Del Prada Hotel, Chicago. Ben wants to be remembered to his professional and non-professional friends, especially Rube Shelton, Frank Mallory and Ernest Hogan.

New York City.—Special —Mrs. A. Lawrence Jordan and son left for a visit to Mrs. Jordan's mother in Washington, D. C., on the 28 ult., and will remain there until after the inauguration. Mr. A. L. Jordan is a fixture at the Knickerbocker theatre, having been at that amusement resort for several years. Mr. Jordon bought a house lot in East New York last week and will erect a home there. We wish him success. He is an ardent admirer of The Freeman.

Notes from the Exchange theatre, Jacksonville, Fla , Prof. J. M. Robinson, Jr., manager —We are now playing to good business; the show has its full weight still. Chas. Devaughn closed here after a 10 week's engagement; he has the distintion of being the best slack wire performer south. Cliff Brooks and Sam Robinson are back again, after filling an 8 week engagement with Rusco & Holland's Big Festival; they send regards to all friends.

J. W. Dennis, with "Coontown 400," writes —We are now in Illinois doing a fair "biz," with no reason to complain The manager having accepted offers for numerous return dates causes us to return to Iowa in a few days. Fosey and Powers are among our "top liners" and are doing an act entirely out of the line of our sable brethren. John Armstrong, as an imitator and mimic, stands second to none. Bart Kennet is expected to pay his mother and sister a visit in Chicago from Forreston. Mr. and Mrs. Al. Edwards send regards to all professional friends.

The Slayton Jubilee are again in Canada. They are working under the management of Cary W. Hartman, of Toronto. Although the death of the Qneen has had a saddening effect on all the dominion, their business remains at the top. At Lindsay, Ontario, the day of her death, Nolan T. Washington, their nonpareil bird imitator and whistler, made a very fitting speech extolling her character, which was graciously received, and made a warm place for the company in the hearts of their audience. The company as it moves through the provinces is giving the best of satisfaction.

From Harrison Bros. minstrels.—We are now in Florida, and the weather is delightful. The members of the company are enjoying good health. W. H. Flammer's concert band is daily winning new laurels. The show is progressing finely under the able management of Daniel E. Washington, who is constantly making new changes. The cake walk in the streets still continues to be the leading feature of the noonday parade. The parade is one of the finest ever given by any colored organization traveling. The Harrison Bros., are certainly proud of their street parade, and take unusual interest in it.

I desire to inform my friends, in and out of the profession that I have closed with Grant's "Colored Aristocracy" Co., and am playing dates with George Jones; the team being known as Logan and Jones. Salary being $99 00 behind I was compelled to resort to the aid of the courts to enforce payment. Notwithstanding the fact that the manager owes every one of his company, some of them had the nerve to "roast" me for suing an "ofay." Would like to hear from a good show relative to contracts for next season. Will be in New York about June 1. Regards to all. Permanent address, 722 Filbert street, Oakland, Cal. Yours as ever,

TOM LOGAN.

(You know me.)

Notes from McCabe & Young's minstrels.—We are playing to a fine business all through Iowa, and we are all well. Prof. Wm. R. Lacey's concert band is making a great hit. William McCabe and Ben Watkins are working the extreme ends and keep the audiences roaring with laughter. The other numbers of the show are all first-class and strictly up-to-date. Roster: D. W. McCabe, advance; Wm. S. McCabe, manager; Prof. Wm. R Lacey, director of band; Richard Smith, Jake Powell; Jum Jennings, Ben Watkins, Oscar Gauss, Sam Bell, Harry Hull, Arthur Marshall, Frank Hunter, Ed. Mason, Joseph Emerson, Roy Blanchard, Mrs. F. Hunter, Mrs. A. Marshall, George Brown, Earl Jackson, Cecil Brooks, Jack Mitchell, Billy Everett, Charley Walker and Hank Donelly.

Al. E. Holman, of Lincoln J. Carter's "Down Mobile Co." writes.—Now that the holidays are over and the performers are again settled in mind and out of pocket, I thought I would write concerning the colored members of the above company. Santa Claus favored each of us in some way or other. We spent our Christmas in Troy, N. Y., and had a big time. I am proud to say at this writing that Chas. T. Small has almost entirely recovered from his recent illness. and has again resumed his role of "Remus." We played New York City the week of Jan. 7 to big business, and this being the home of Al. E. Holman and wife, why boys, you can imagine what a time we had. We played New Haven, Conn., and I did not drop around the old haunts. Chas. J. Ross, our lyric tenor, won new fame in New York City, where he electrified those that claim to know it. The Roster of our show is still the same: Chas T. Small, "Remus;" Nellie V. Small, "Aunt Sue;" Mamie E. Holman, "Mandy;" Chas. J. Ross, "Pete;" Pearle Hunter, "Rastus;" Al. E. Holman and Prince, "Dragon" and "Ginger Sam." They all send regards to the "Hottest Coon in Dixie Co," Slayton's Jubilee Singers and all friends.

Cole & Johnson, in the famous vaudevilleated musical comedy "A Trip to Coontown" made their first visit to Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 24, where they played a three days' engagement to crowded houses. The Commercial Appeal, our morning paper, commenced its amusement column by stating that the Negro could not make an actor, but alas, it seems that the mind failed to bring forth any criticism, so they had to come up with the "right thing," by stating that this company was free from vulgarity, and was the best they have ever seen. Each member playing his or her part to perfection. The Evening Scimitar comes out plainly, saying that the "Trip to Coontown" Co., surprised the theatre goers, as they appeared in a role that we are not used to, that is the absence of the blackened face. Each member in that musical comedy proves to the world, what has always been the fact, that the Negro posesses a vocal capability which no other race on earth can compete with. At each performance the house was filled with representative white and colored citizens. Billy Kersand's company has always proven the most wonderful drawing card to the Memphis people, but it seems that "A Trip to Coontown" has excelled them. * * * The people of Memphis would be pleased to have them sing the songs one more: "If That's Society Excuse Me," "Picking On a Chicken Bone" and the one Sam Lucas sings "I Can Stand For Your Color, But Your Hair Won't Do." The last named song seems to catch as this city is full of heads that have felt the pulling of hot iron, and the sticking of hair straightening glue. Say, boys, it will not be long before some bald headed girls will be seen, caused by the using of those preparations. Miss Pauline Humphrey, one of the best performers of the company, is a Memphis lady. Success to them.

El. Green writes from Chicago.—The metropolis of the West is besieged with the knights of the footlights; there being some notable performers in the city. Mallory Bros., and Brooks are resting up here preparing for Castle circuit. At the Casino a good bill is being presented by Caldwell and Henry, including Bessie Hamilton, Griffin Sisters, Lilly Garey, Scotte and Deleo and Ivory Hamilton, who, by the way, is a singer of no mean ability. Caldwell and Henry are presenting a sketch that's a winner. Misses Garey and Hamilton have some new songs that take well, while the Griffin Sisters are pronounced favorites. Will Proctor is "mixing" at the Elite. Suttle and Dobbs were booked to appear at the Casino, but Miss Dobbs' illness caused them to cancel. McCarver, Reed and McCarver are at the Northwestern making good with their act The atmosphere is still filled with the Bassili or pleasure left by the Williams & Walker aggregation. Chicago having seen the best show of color this season, the "Fortune Teller Man" being a great favorite. Jessie Ship has staged a show that bears the closest inspection, and a great future is predicted for this accomplished producer. The closing of the Scott's minstrels has placed a number of good acts and artists on the ad lib forum, viz. Harry Craton, slack wire and juggler; Richard Lewis, male soprano soloist; Cicero Reed and Scotte and Deleo all are in the Windy City. James Crosby is preparing a great act for vaudeville; nothing like it ever seen or attempted by a colored artist. A society sketch of strong points at the Chicago opera house this week. Grant and Grant can be seen with the Scribner combination; Brown and Moore are also on the same bill. The Eldridges, Billy and Jenny, closed with the Riley & Woods show at Hurtig & Seamon's Music Hall here, owing to the illness of Mr. Eldridge; their act was a feature with show. J. L. Love was seen by the writer and is all smiles again; nearly ready to take his place at the helm of his Professional Bureau, 27th street. Williams & Walker are booked for a return date in the near future. The "Coontown 400" (new) direction of Guy Watson, is being staged and headed by Saint Suttle and John Brewer. Roster of company as follows: McCarver, Reed and McCarver, Goodman and Spencer, the Brewers, Scotte and Deleo, D. E. Johnson, Sadie Citizen, Georgia Dobbs, Lilly Garey, Emma Thompson, Bertha Stone and Lizzie Taylor; they rehearsed and opened in Kokomo, Ind., Jan. 31. Lawrence Dees is about the corners yet. Chicago is now the "Holy City," so if you're not "reggy" you'd better "duck it."

Martin News Items.

Martin, Tenn., Special.—Mr. and Mrs. Moseby sends greeting to their friends in Dyersburg, Tenn. Will Johnson has been on the sick list for the past few days. Tom Carter is able to sit up. Chef John W. Moseby, of the T. P. A. Hotel, Dyersburg, Tenn., has resigned his position, cause "obesity." Little Percy C. Moseby has been very sick. Charley Shaw is a most affable waiter, and is a great admirer of The Freeman, especially the hotel department. Prof. Johnson, our newly appointed principal of the city public school, purchased a copy of The Freeman. Mr. Johnson is a scholar of rare abilities and an ardent reader. Death, the grim monster, has carried away Freeman Sanders, Jr., son of Chef Sanders. The deceased was a member of the G. U. O. of O. F., and was put away with the usual honors which characterize that lodge. The agent of The Freeman extends sympathy to the bereaved father. The agent hopes that the patrons of The Freeman will talk to their friends and try and induce them to buy a copy each week. The friends of D. C. Martin are glad to see him up again.

Cream City Items.

Milwaukee, Wis., Special. — John Walls left for New York City, N. Y., on the 28th. Mr. Walls will be missed by the St Marks church. Miss Beulah Johnson has arrived home from Strait's University, New Orleans, where she graduated with honors. Miss Carrie Green, of Scranton, Pa., is in the city, and much pleased with the Cream City. Mrs. Wm. Bader, of Cleveland, Ohio, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmerson, on 5th street. Mrs. Lizzie Burnett has arrived home from St. Paul, and reports a delightful time. Invitations are out for the Young Folks' Social Club entertainment on Feb 15. Mr. Editor, please correct a mistake that appeared in the waiters' column of The Freeman of Jan. 26. Mr. E. Williams was the first colored bartender in the Plankinton buffet, and was succeeded by W. Revells; also, Mr. E. Williams and Cook were the founders of the Y. M. I Club. Mr. O. Davis is in the city.

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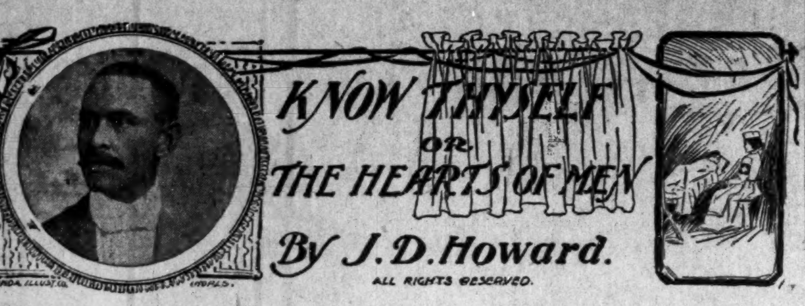

CONTINUATION OF CHAPTER XX.

As will be seen all the Agent had to do was to reverse the ends of the cards when the "sucker," quite naturally, selects the one that is marked, thinking it is the "Prize-card" he has been shown so well how to select from the bunch.

Simple as the above little device may appear, thousands of dollars have been lost upon it. It has often proven a wholesome lesson to many dishonest countrymen who would league themselves, for a few paltry dollars with strangers, for the purpose of fleecing their own neighbors.

All went well with Jack and Swift until about noon, when they enticed within their web an old "hay-seed," living in a remote district of the county, who was introduced to the foregoing game and sacrificed his mite, consisting of seven dollars and twenty five cents. At the time all passed off, apparently without a hitch. But unobserved, either by Jack or Swift, a Negro man lurked in the immediate vicinity and observed all.

As the victim of their wiles was slowly wending his way back toward the central portion of the village he was accosted by the dusky son of Ham, who exclaimed excitedly: "See here, old Marse! whut dem 'ar fellahs dun gone an' dun ter you?"

"What fellows?" asked the old man, somewhat surprised.

"Why dem 'ar fellahs, whuts dun gone on ober de hill dar," said the darkey, scratching his wooly head.

"Oh nothing, we got into a little bet of some sort t'other and I lost, that's all," replied the farmer.

"Law bress yer soul, old Marse, I'se er gwine to tole yer sumthin, dem ar fellahs haint nuthin' but dem ar show slickers. Deys dun gone an rob'ed yer, rite in do broad day lite."

At this the old man become suddenly interested in the darkey's prating jabber.

"What's it you're saying'," said he, sharply.

"I sed, dat dem fellahs is dun gone an' flim-flammed yer out'en yo money, dat's whut I'm a talkin'. Dis makes three folks I'se dun watch 'em fotch to dis here berry spot, an prank wid 'em on dem ar kyards. I tell yer whut—I'se gwine to town jist as strait es I kin go an' I'se gwine ter tole de Marshal, deed I is."

So saying, he started off in a run, with hat in hand, toward the main portion of of the village.

About an hour later Jack Ashton and Bert Swift were again behind the bars charged with—"High Way Robbery!"

The Negro, true to his word, at once sought out the Town Marshal and informed him of what had occured. Swift and Ashton, suspecting no danger, were promenading the streets in quest of more prey when nabbed. The news of their arrest spread like wild fire. Excitement ran rife The mob that swarmed in and around the jail was boisterous and howling. The mountain "yaps" composing it vied one with the other to get a glimpse of what they supposed, from common report, to be two of the most daring High-way-men alive. The office of the jail was jammed to its utmost capacity while the men were being searched, and the aspect presented was by no means likely to arouse within the prisoners a feeling of safety. Other than rabid curiosity no hostile demonstrations were manifested. The hue of popular sentiment was greatly against the two men, augmented of course by the old farmer caroborating the Negro's report that he had been robbed!

Subsequent developments proved that the "old sucker" had been induced to prefer this charge under promise that he should have his money returned to him. He was also shown that by confessing he had "bet" with the men he was criminally liable to the law, and amenable to a fine for gambling; the result was that the old fellow preferred the charge as stated.

Circuit Court was in session in the village at the time of their arrest. The next day they were given a preliminary hearing and held to await the action of the Grand Jury. The present term of Court was well advanced, and the Grand Jury had been dismissed; so clamorus were the citizens however for what they termed "Quick-Justice," that this inconvenience was not allowed to impede the progress of their purpose. They hastily summoned a "Special Grand Jury" by whom the two were indicted and forced into trial! The proceedings from beginning to end were what might be adequately styled "a legal farce"—a rank travesty upon justice—yet the demands of the people were such as warranted as expeditious proceedings as possible to appease their spirit of revenge.

After brief deliberations the Trial Jury returned a verdict of "Guilty!" and fixed the punishment at seven years hard labor in State's Prison!

When the trial was over the two men were brought back to jail. Jack Ashton presented a picture of the most abject despair. His eyes were bloodshot and sunken; he seemed to have aged ten years in the last twenty four hours. A pallor o'erspread his face positively cadaverous he paced up and down the narrow confines of the little jail like one suddenly bereft of reason.

"This," said he to himself bitterly, "is the end of all! Farewell! to all my hopes and dreams of the future! Good-bye! to reformation, honor, manhood, all, all, have been swept away at a single blow! I am physically unable to withstand the ravages of prison-life for this period of time!"

Walking to the grated window he peered out into the jail-yard, a touch of vernal Spring was upon the landscape in the distance beyond; the green foliage of the trees, the sweet incense of the flowers, the warbling of the birds, all served to endear to him the bright, beautiful world which, alas! had been shut out to him forever! As he stood thus engrossed in his sad musings a little bird, bolder than the rest, alighted upon the window-sill at which he was standing. From its tiny throat the clearest, sweetest notes that Jack had ever listened to, were warbled forth. It seemed as though Providence had directed the little feathered songster hither to mock him in his despair! He recalled a verse of that plaintive ballad "The Convict and The Bird;" turning from the window and raising his hands appealingly to Heaven he cried out in a voice of anguish too sad for expression:

"Would to God that I were Dead!"

[To Be Continued.]

Joliet Jottings.

Joliet, Ill., special: Rev. J. Will King, pastor of First A. M. E. Church, of Minneapolis, Minn., has been appointed in charge of Brown's Chapel A. M. E. Church at Joliet, Ill., by Bishop A. Grant, D. D., at the Iowa conference, held in Minneapolis. Rev. King and family comes to us well recommended. Rev. King is doing a grand work. The church is taking on new life, spiritually and colectively. * * Mr. T. D. McDonald has the agency of The Freeman, and it can be had at Girley & Cromwell Grocery Co., corner of Jackson and Ottawa streets. * * The choir of Brown's Chapel is preparing to give a sacred concert Sunday evening, Feb. 3. This choir consists of some of the best singers of Joliet.. * * Pastor of the Second Baptist Church, W. H. Denton, is doing a grand work among his people. This is their week of prayer, as announced from the Baptist headquarters, for all of their churches throughout the world to hold one week of prayer. * * The Freeman ought to have five hundred subscribers in Joliet. —J. Will King. * * Girley-Cromwell Grocery Company has sent their salesman to Chicago to buy a new stock of grocieries. The people of Joliet should remember this enterprise and throw their support that way. Mr. T. S. McDonald is their solicitor and he has proven to be quite a hustler among the people. * * Miss Lena Middleton, one of our graduates, is taking a course in the business college. * * Musical and vocal talent of Joliet and Chicago are arranging for a contest some time in February.

News.

Macon, Mo., Special.—Houston & Johnson have remodeled their tonsorial parlors to the amount of $2,000. Mr. James, one of the most prosperous barbers, takes The Freeman every week, and finds it very interesting. Sam Hart, of Fulton, is visiting relatives and friends of this city. The Freeman can be found at Houston & Johnson's barber shop. The Bordou Grocery Company is doing quite an extensive business. They solicit your trade. Charley Johnson's billiard and pool hall is quite a success. Edgar Harris will train Essie Williams for his coming match with Oscar Lobbins. Charley Enix, of Enix Bro's, Concert Company, is scoring three and four encores nightly in his famous original song, "I've Just Got a Letter from My Babe." Prof. Arthur Williams, hypnotist, gave a grand performance at Masonic Temple, Jan. 19. A large crowd attended. Prof. Williams is also a baritone singer of fame. E. H. Bordou made a flying trip to St. Joe last Saturday. Miss Maud Leland has just returned from an extensive visit with relatives and friends of Kansas City, Mo. Our agent will collect every Tuesday on all back subscribers of The Freeman. Have your change ready. Mr. Erva Harris has accepted a position as waiter at the Hotel Jefferson. Phil Wallace made a flying trip to St. Louis last Wednesday on business. Horace Heisel departed this life Friday, January 18. He leaves a host of relatives and friends to mourn his loss. All subscribers who owe the agent will please call and settle.

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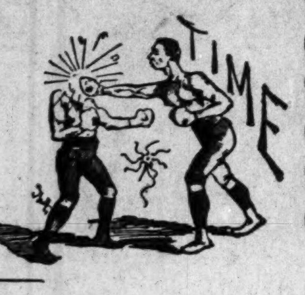

CORRESPONDENCE.

I. H. T., St. Paul, Minn.—The Abbot's trotting record is 2:03¼.

C. S., Cincinnati, O.—George Dixon is 31; Pedlar Palmer 26 and Terry McGovern 21.

Geo. H. K., Cleveland, O.—Frank Erne is a Swede; he was born in Switzerland in 1875.

Tony M., Louisville, Ky.—James J. Jeffries made a fairly good field umpire but he is not up to the standard of league umpires. 2. Yes, I have seen him umpire.

I. C. P, Nashville, Tenn.—George Dixon is the colored fighter called "Little Chocolate." He defeated Cal McCarthy for the championship at Troy, N. Y., March 31, 1891. They fought 70 rounds to a draw at New York, Feb. 7, 1890.

W. C., Indianapolis, Ind.—John L. Sullivan was champion of America only. 2. Robert Fitzsimmons was conceded the world's champion by the following events: James J. Corbett defeated John L. Sullivan for championship of America; defeated Charley Mitchel, England's greatest fighter. Robert J. Fitzsimmons defeated Peter Maher, the champion of Ireland; he was already champion of Australia, and these being the leading sporting countries of the world, he met and defeated Corbett for the championship of the world.

New York, Jan. 31. special.—Two clubs are bidding for a fight between McGovern and Erne, The Twentieth Century Athletic Club, of which J. C. Kennedy is the ruling spirit and Jack Gleason is the resident manager, wants it, but it has a rival in the San Francisco Athletic Club.

George Moser, representing the latter, said that his club would post a purse of $8,000 for a meeting between McGovern and Erne. The Board of Supervisors out there demands that a purse be posted in order to insure fair play as far as possible.

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Sharkey, believing that his fight with the Kid was as good as clinched, started West several weeks ago to train. He has put a couple of weeks in at West Baden Springs, and after a short stay at Mt. Clemens is to leave for San Francisco. If Sharkey is anxious to fight next month on the coast he will have to find another opponent besides McCoy.

It is said that McCoy is to take a trip abroad immediately after the Jeffries-Ruhlin, fight and that he will visit Monte Carlo.

Peter Maher, who has signed an agreement to face the winner of the McCoy-Sharkey fight, if it should take place at San Francisco, is very anxious to tackle Sharkey, and it is said that he will take the Kid's place. Maher has also received an offer to cross arms with Joe Walcott at Hartford and may accept.

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A GREAT MATCH RACE

Now that E. M. Smathers and Fred Gerken have withdrawn their rival trotters, Alice Barnes (2:11½) and The Monk (2:05¾), from the speedway to put them in training for the campaign, there is renewed talk about a match race for big stakes to decide the question which was left unsettled when they met on the speedway last month. George Spear, who is to train Alice Barnes this year, said recently:

"I see that when in Buffalo last week Mr. Gerken offered to match The Monk against Alice Barnes. Now that I wish to notify him that I can be found at the Rossmore hotel in New York City at any time with a certified check for $5,000 in my pocket ready to make a race. I will make it for $5,000 a side, play or pay, or I will put up $5,000 forfeit to bind a match for $10,000 a side, the other $5,000 to be posted on the night before the race. Mr. Gerken can pick a track anywhere on the grand circuit, or we'll go to Lexington if he wants to."

Mr. Gerken's offer to back The Abbot (2:03¼) against George H. Ketcham's Cresceus (2:04) for $10,000 a side, which was announced a fortnight ago, has set horsemen talking again about the probable outcome of such a contest. The best judges appear to be divided in opinion.

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Frank Childs is in great shape for his coming bout with "Denver Ed" Martin as a preliminary to the Jeffries-Ruhlin fight on Feb. 15, and his manager, Sam Summerfield, is hoping that some accident may occur which will give his man an opportunity at bigger game than Martin.

"Childs is ready to take the place of either one of the big boxers on an instant's notice," said Mr. Summerfield. "If Jeffries, for any reason, doesn't enter the ring, Childs will box Ruhlin, or, if on the other hand, Ruhlin does not enter the ring, or is not ready to box, Childs will take his place, and he'll make a showing against Jeffries that will make those Cincinnati people open their eyes. All he wants is a chance to box, and he is willing to meet any heavyweight in the country on short notice. He is in such splendid shape that it seems as though it is a waste of time for him to meet so easy a mark as Martin. He wants to meet some of the big fellows, Jeffries or Ruhlin preferred. He is going to weigh about 170 pounds when he enters the ring in Cincinnati, and I look for an easy victory for him."

Childs is a fast and shifty boxer, and while Summerfield's estimate of his abilities is perhaps somewhat sanguine, he is in good condition, and will probably put up a hard match.

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RUHLIN AND MARTIN.

Gus Ruhlin, "Denver Ed" Martin and their manager, the genial Billy Madden, were in the city last Friday and Saturday and appeared in three round bouts before large audiences at the Empire Theatre. Both men showed up in fine form, and created a good impression on the sport loving public here, the majority of whom are free to speak their sentiments concerning the two big gladiators, and it greatly fayors Martin, the colored man. Speaking of his coming match with Childs, Martin said to me:

"I consider Frank Childs a very easy proposition and my manager has $1,000 to bet that I will win. I do not see the need of talking about the match so I invite all to Cincinnati to see our fight and then you can do the talking for me. I am in good condition already and will only put on the finishing touches from now till the day of the fight. I stand six foot three in stocking feet and weigh 208 pounds.

"Ruhlin will be in the finest condition possible and will win from Jeffries handily"

Manager Madden chats pleasantly about his two men and is confident that both will win their fights Feb. 15. Mr. Madden is a very clever gentleman and decidedly entertaining. I would be glad to see him return to Indianapolis some day with two champions.

WAY TO PLEASE THE EDITOR.

[C. A. W. in New York World.]

Cut, cut, cut and condense with care
That is the order of the editaire,
Wield your shears with grim delight,
Cut, cut with all your might.
Trim it here and "boil" it there,
Leave not a line that you can spare.
Cut to the bone boil it down,
Newsy joy for all the town.
Build each "story" bold and bare,
The pith of the tale. if the meat is there.
Will shimmer and flash like a solitaire,
Only take the important news,
Great events and great men's view,s,
Double lead and head with a "scare,"
Serve up "racy. rich and rare"—
That's the "stuff" for the editaire!

THE AFRO-AMERICAN COUNCIL.

Howard's Magazine for January is an especially interesting number. Amid the excellent little poems and choice reading matter is an illustrated article on the Afro-American Council at Indianapolis by William Moore, correspondent of the Chicago Record.

"By the Way" is how Mr. Moore styles his article.

The writer is in his best vein, which is of the very loquacious order. Hear him as he says apropos the convening; "But as I live here comes Col. 'Jim' Lewis. He stoops at the shoulders, I admit, and the years have whitened the hair that once was black, but the eye flashes and the voice rings out with something of the old spirit when he rises in his place and in the manner of another day asks the president to show him a genuine black democratic Negro."

The kindly face of Bishop Alex. Walters is shown in his very best cut. He alludes to him throughout the article. Speaking of the matter of presidency, he says, "I did not like the manner of the charge of bad faith he made (Congressman White) against Bishop Walters, although I half suspect the provocation was impressively intense, if not decidedly pronounced."

T. Thomas Fortune shows up in a cut sans whiskers, sans moustache, sans his malignant sneer. Concerning him the writer says, I see "Tom" Fortune, the same slim figure we have grown to know; the same intense nervous energy, the same personification of impulsiveness and intellect, volatile, keen impressive." The writer might have characterized further and drew a completer picture — the Conkling of the Negro race—proud, imperious hyperion, cynical, the master of fine scorn and the spoiled darling of the Negro press—sensitive, the soul of honor, a wit, and no man's fool. Such thou art Thomas.

Says the writer, "How much J. Milton Turner has aged." Why not? Was it not Grant who appointed him to Liberia? It is said that Mr. Turner spent his time in Paris, far from that feverish atmosphere. The writer speaks of him answering Senator Pritchard. Not much. There was nothing to say. Now, Turner is an eloquent speaker, but a speaker without a speech is a bad condition. He is a Chesterfield and must of been a Beau Brummel in his better days. "I thank you very much" is just so much music from Turner. Nobody on earth can say it as he does.

The face of Mrs. Ida B. Wells-Barnett, the renown anti-lynching agitator, appears in the article. The writer does not spare her when he says: "There are many of us who do not like the mannerisms of Ida B. Well-Barnett and who do not wholly agree with her preachings." He concludes by admitting that she was very helpful and her need was felt. She is a remarkable woman. She has brains, and she uses them.

Regarding Rev. Jordan Chavis the writer says:

Jordan Chavis, he who coddled the convention into indorsing President McKinley and his policies, sprung into prominence in a moment. A whole week had been spent in a fruitless endeavor to do what the Rev. Chavis accomplished by means of an innocent-looking resolution praising Mr. McKinley and the governors of the States who had condemned lynching.

The writer, continuing, says:

That man sitting up there in front of the speaker's desk, alongside Secretary McGhee, is Al. Manning of the citizens' committee. The handsome man with the magnificent head of beautiful gray hair is George L. Knox, of the Bates House and The Indianapolis Freeman.

The Chicago contingent is well represented by Samuel A. T. Watkins, Adelbert H. Roberts, Louis B. Anderson, Cyrus Field Adams and "Uncle Ike" Rivers.

Concluding, the writer says:

Among the big men who did not insist on being heard were Judson P. Lyons and Dr. I. B. Scott, the editor of the Southwestern Advocate. Mr Lyons was a distinctive figure by reason of his being the Register of the United States Treasury. Dr Scott, however, was not known to very many of the delegates, but it was not a very great while before his counsel was much sought.

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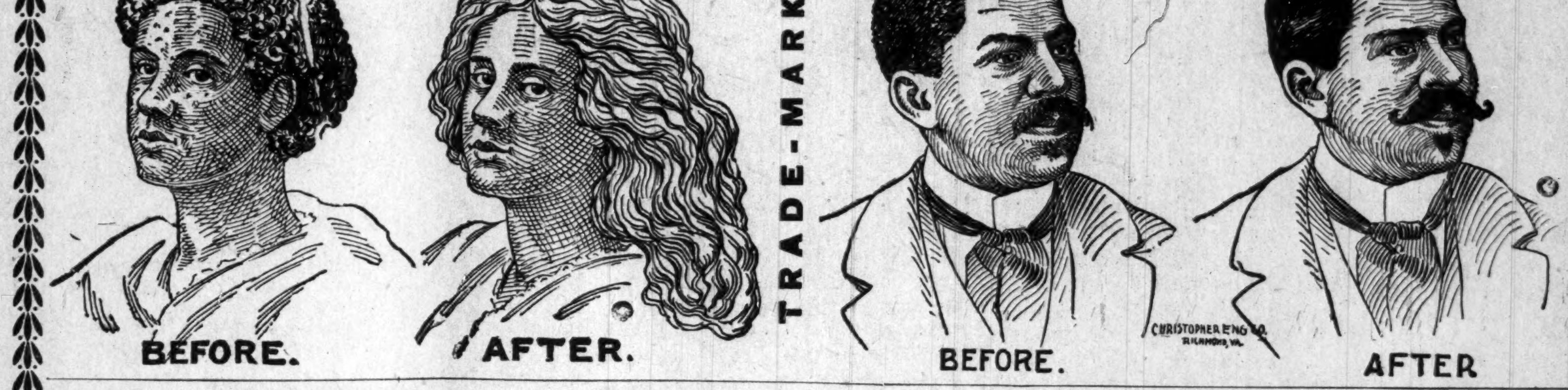

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which is sold with an iron-clad guarantee to do all that is claimed for it, or we will forfeit $50.00. Now, we ask you a plain question—would we absolutely agree to forfeit $50.00 if you are dissatisfied with our preparations, if they were not true to all we claim for them? We have advertised for several years under this guarantee, and we are glad to say that every one who has used Ozono has been satisfied in every respect.

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Street............................., City..........................
County..............................., State...............

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Pick Ups.

Meridian, Miss., Special.—L. G. Murray left on the 19 for Knoxville, Tenn., to see his son Williard. From there he will visit other cities and return about Jan. 29. Mrs. P. A. Griffin left for Birmingham, Ala., on the 19 to make that city her home. Miss Lela McCoy left for her home at New Orleans on Jan. 8, after a delightful visit to the Misses Ward. Rev. C. L. Harris, pastor of the First Congregational church at Mobile who has been sick since Jan 1, is improving. Three Baptist churches in our city are without pastors. Ed. Mason, the 5th street shoe repairer, who has been sick for several months, is reported some better.

He was right.

Mr. Jones—My DEAR, those Pills that I have been taking, have not done me much good.

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Mrs. Jones—Dear me, John! that is my shoe-button box.

Mary Lee Brown vs Edward Brown Charleston, Ill. } State of Indiana, Marion County, ss: in the Superior court of Marion County in the State of Indiana, No. 61642 Complaint Divorce

BE IT KNOWN, That on the 18th day of January, 1901 the above named plaintiff, by her attorney, filed in the office of the clerk of the Superior court of Marion county, in the state of Indiana, her complaint against the above named defendant and the said plaintiff having also filed in said clerk's office the affidavit of a competent person, showing that said defendant Edward Brown is not a resident of the state of Indiana and the said action is for divorce and that said defendant is a necessary party thereto and whereas said plaintiff having by endorsement on said complaint required said defendant to appear in said court, and answer or demur thereto on the 20th day of march 1901.

NOW, THEREFORE, By order of said court, said defendant last above named is hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said complaint against him and that unless he appear and answer or demur thereto, at the calling of said cause on the 20th day of March 1901, the same being the 15 judicial day of a term of said court, to be begun and held at the court house in the city of Indianapolis, on the 1st Monday in March 1901, said complaint and the matters and things therein contained and alleged, will be heard and determined in his absence

GEO. B. ELLIOTT, Clerk.
GEO. CARTER, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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..CITY NOTES..

Mrs. J. W. Pritchett, of 620 Douglas street, is quite sick.

The Octavo Club met Monday night at the home of Miss Amanda Rogers.

Moses Dugan, formerly of Topeka, Kas., will make this city his future home.

The Rev. W. S. Beasly closed his series of meetings at Irvington Sunday night.

Mrs. John Joes, 614 Ogden street, who has been very sick, is very much improved.

Fred D. Blair's father, the agent of The Freeman in Carthage, Mo., died January 13.

James McCowan, age 55, died Sunday night at his home, 230 Bird street, after a short illness.

Rev. E. A. White, of Connersville, reports one of the greatest revivals in the history of the church.

The Rev. Dr. Hurley has moved from College avenue and E. Pratt street to 932 E. Seventeenth street.

Mr. Geo. Venable was called to Noblesville on account of the death of Willis Venable, his father.

Grand rally at Allen Chapel to-morrow. Morning and evening services will be conducted by Bishop Grant.

Bethel church Aid Alliance was entertained at the home of Mrs. Lucy Smoot, in California street, Thursday afternoon.

Mrs Burris, widow of Thomas Burris, died Tuesday morning at her home in Agnes street. She leaves several grown children.

Mr. Robert Moody left Tuesday for Detroit to accept the position of second waiter in the Cadillac Hotel. He was formerly of the Bates House.

Mr. Thomas Rogers, of Peoria, Ill., is in the city, having accompanied Mr. Charles Davis, who brought his wife's remains to this city to be buried.

Mrs. George Williams entertained a small company of friends Monday night, at her home in Drake street, in honor of her birthday. Luncheon was served.

Mrs. William Miller, of 1325 N. Senate avenue, who has been in ill health for some time, has just returned from a visit to Marion and Anderson much improved.

Mrs. L. N. Burroughs, of Louisville, Ky., National Secretary of the Baptist Woman's Missionary Union, in company with Mrs. Mattie Grigsby, were Freeman callers Monday.

The body of Mrs. Ella Davis, who died at Peoria, Ill., last Saturday, of la grippe, was buried Tuesday afternoon from the residence of Mrs. Chas. Lewis, 435 Tippecanoe street.

Mrs. Emma Owens, of Chicago, has been called to the bedside of her sister, Miss Florence Miller, of 2870 Foundry avenue, Brightwood, who is not expected to live, after a long illness.

Mrs. Mary Jackson, from Greenwood, British Columbia, has been visiting her daughter, Viola. She has returned to her future home, Billings, Mont., after having spent a very enjoyable visit.

About thirty-five persons were the dinner guests of Mrs. Smith, Columbia avenue, Monday night, in honer of Miss N. H. Burroughs, general missionary secretary. A card at the plate of each guest indicated a missionary topic which made up the after-dinner speeches.

Mrs. L. N. Burroughs, of Louisville, national secretary of the Babtist Woman's Missionary Union, assisted by Mrs. Grigsby, President of the Baptist woman's State convention, organized a branch of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society at the First Baptist church, Irvington. Monday night.

Miss Eurus Ray Carr graduated from the Shortridge High School, Wednesday, January 23. She will post until June, taking several scientific subjects, and in September Miss Carr will leave for Oberlin, O., where she will pursue her studies further in Oberlin College.

Miss Olevia Chavis entertained the Elfs Club, Saturday, in a very royal manner. Miss Zola Black played an instrumental solo. Papers were read by Miss Beulah Beck, "James Atwell Mount;" Miss Olio Chavis, "Paul Lawrence Dunbar," and Miss Cora Carter, "Hunting Bears." Next month the club will be entertained at the home of Miss Addie Willis on California street.

The Young Men's Prayer Band held its meeting at Jones Tabernacle, Sunday afternoon. A large audience listened to an interesting paper read by Dr. D. H. Brown. Mr. Housh, general secretary of the Y. M. C. A., has been invited to lecture to the young men at Bethel Church next Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The Bible class met at the Christian Church, N. Missouri street, Thursday evening at 8 o'clock.

he Ninth Presbyterian Church.

All of the members and friends should prepare to come and hear the Rev. Dr. Mackintosh, who will preach at 3:30 p. m. to-morrow. He is pastor of the Fourth Presbyterian Church and chairman of the Home Mission Committee. Worship at 11 a. m.; Sunday school at 2:30 p. m. Public invited.

Ministers' Union.

The Colored Methodist Ministers' Union had Rev. "Father Lewis" to open their regular session with an earnest prayer, in which he implored that under God the ministers of the city would develop more and more the idea of christianity and in their own lives and example be a powerful uplift to their people. "The Bases of a Perfect Love" was the subject of the paper read by Rev. Downs. The simple statement that "Obedience Should Proceed from a Spirit of Worship Rather than a Sense of Duty" met some criticism from the brethren and expressed doubts as to its soundness. Otherwise the comments were favorable. The following program was announced for subsequent meetings: Feb. 6, "The Tendency of the Colored Race to Infidelity" by Rev. P. C. Williams; Feb. 13, "The Fruits of Christianity," by Rev. L. Stokes; Feb. 20, "The Fruits of Infidelity," by Rev. L. W. Ratcliff. The presiding elders are looked for in attendance.

New York State.

The members of the New York State made the following donations to the grand rally, which was held last Sunday, the 27th, at Simpson Chapel, to eradicate the main debt of the church:

Miss Maude Malone	$ 1 00
Mrs. Zennie	50
Courtney	1 00
Steward	50
Mrs. Gilliam	50
Miss Susie Jackson	25
Amos Bybee	1 00
Mrs. Hattie Taylor	1 00
Mrs. John Payne	25
Sam Parker	25
Minus Goodall	1 00
Mack Obannon	50
Mrs. Jennie Obannon	50
Daniel Browder	1 50
Mrs. Irene Browder	50
Mrs. Mary Williams	25
G. W. Hudson	1 00
Mrs. G. L. Knox	1 00
Chas. Hyser	25
Mrs. J. T. V. Hill	1 00
Kirsey	1 00
Noble Sissle	25
W. H. Lott	25
Miss R. Higgs	25
James Boyer	40
Chas. Turner	25
Mrs. M. S. Johnson	1 00
Mrs. Duncan	25
Mrs. Chas. Turner	25
Miss Elnora Gordon	25
Alonzo Douglas	50
Henry Hines	30
Mrs. Mary Jackson	25
Mrs. Wm. H. Lonas	10 40
Miss Edna Scott	30 80
Miss Laura Boyer	13 80
Miss Lillian Taylor	10 70
G. L. Knox	100 00

Whole total $262.

Lima News.

Lima, Ohio, Special.—The revival meetings closed at the Second Baptist church this week. The Woman's Aid Society of the Second Baptist church met with Mrs. Louise Wilson on W. Elm street, Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 30. Rev. Everett, who has been assisting Rev. R. W. Christian in the revival meetings, returned to his home in Xenia, Ohio, last week. The Cheerful Workers Society of St. Paul A. M. E. church met at the residence of Mrs. F. Gross, Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 30. Revival meetings will begin at St. Paul A. M. E. church next week, Rev. C. D. White pastor. Baptismal services were held at the St. Paul A. M. E. church Sunday, Jan. 27. Three were baptised. Mr. Hanical Ball is seriously ill. The Ladies' Literary and Musical Club, was delightfully entertained by Mrs. Ed. Adams at her residence on W. High street, Thursday afternoon, Jan. 24. They will be entertained by Mrs. F. W. Tyree this week. Dr. R. B. Hamilton, formerly of Lima, but now of Danville, Ky., left for his home Monday morning. Mrs. Betty Boyer, of Urbana, was the guest of Rev. C. D. White and family Sunday. J. W. Beam, of Coldwater, Ohio, was in the city Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Sewel are happy over the arrival of a nine pound boy.

Bloomington Gleanings.

Bloomington, Ill., Special.—Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Scott entertained a host of friends at a dinner party last Sunday, Jan. 27, in honor of Rev. and Mrs. Thomas, of Seattle, Wash. Mrs. Thomas is the mother of Mrs. Scott. Those present were N. B. B. Siddner, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Loucils, Mrs. Smith, Mattie and Emma, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Bynum and Mr. Jenkins. Dr. Eugene G. Covington, of Washington, D. C., has the honor of saving a man's life who had been given up by two white doctors. J. H. Mosley, an intelligent young man, is doing a great deal of earnest work for the benefit of the A. M. E. church working in the literary society. On the 22d of February Williams and Walker will appear at the grand opera house. The Freeman can be found every Saturday evening at Mat Stearl's pool hall on North Center street.

Notes.

Rockford. Ill., Special.—We have a church here of the M. E. denomination. Rev. S. B. Moore, the pastor, assisted by Rev. Warton, of Chicago, is holding a series of revival meetings that are being well attended. The church has a small membership compared with most city churches, and is struggling under a heavy debt, but the congregation is industrious and full of resources, and hope to come out victorious. The holiday number of The Freeman was very much appreciated here. The white people as well as the colored found it interesting and entertaining, some of them expressing surprise that such a fine paper was edited and published by colored talent.

Muncie Items

Muncie, Ind., Special: A. M. E. Church revivals are still in progress. Several accessions have been added to the church. Rev. Saunders, of Indianapolis, will assist them during the week. Mrs. Mattie Richardson is ill with la grippe at her home on East Jackson street. Mrs. Van Meter has moved from Seymour street to East Jackson street, near the A. M. E. Church. The family of Mr. Simms, of Whitely, have moved to Dayton, Ohio. Mrs. Simms will leave later for that city. Mr. Frank Davis, of Portland, Ind., spent Sunday in the city, the guest of old friends. June Ellis has returned from a sojourn in our "sister city," Anderson. Mrs. Isaac Woods is ill at her home on Seymour street. Mrs. Julia Robbins is on the sick list. Mr. William Rider, our genial dancing master, has secured the services of Mr. Major, who will furnish music for the Academy. Dr. Cooper has purchased a home in Normal City, into which he moved last week. Mrs. Lillian Thomas Fox was in the city Sunday, the guest of Mrs. W. H. Stokes. Quarterly meeting will be held Sunday, February 3, at A. M. E. Church. Rev. Saunders will preside. Last Sunday was trustee day at A. M. E. Church. Quite a neat little sum was collected to assist in making a few necessary repairs. The young ladies of the A. M. E. Church collected sufficient means to enable them to recarpet the aisle, which was much needed, and which makes quite an improvement in the looks thereof. Mr. John Weaver has left the city for a more congenial climate.

Newsy Items.

Chicago, Ill., Special: J. Palmer departed this life on the 21st inst. He leaves a wife, two brothers and a host of friends to mourn his untimely demise. His funeral was preached at Wayman Church by Rev. Daniels. C. Pearson has gone to Nicholasville, Ky. G. G. Groves has moved to 63 Huron street. Revival meetings are being held at Herman Church. F. M. Burrows, an attorney, who says he is a Cuban, but is nothing more than a common Virginia Negro, was fined $100 and costs by Judge Baker recently for assaulting his former white stenographer. Little Edith Smith, who has been confined to her bed for the last six months at the Samaritan Hospital, has returned home much improved. A. Price, our popular shoe artist, will leave the city for the South in a few days, owing to the cold weather now prevalent in Chicago. J. Cook left the city last week for Hot Springs, Ark., to recuperate. Mrs. B. McCartry, of 30 Ogden Place, is very ill. Mrs. Craddock read a very interesting paper at the Sunday Club last Sunday. The subject was "Why Are We Republicans?" Mr. W. D. Lillard and Mr. Harrison, two well-known orators, will deliver orations at the club next Sunday. The club meets every Sunday at 4 p. m., at Herman Church. All are invited to attend.

Capital City Dots.

Springfield, Ill., Special.—The legislature has not done very much important business yet. There are a number of girls and boys studying stenography. Chas. Lee is proprietor of a hotel on Jefferson street. Bob Long, colored, champion of the middleweight, knocked out Chas Burns, white, of Cincinnati, here last Tuesday night, Jan. 22, in the seventh round. Burns has a good reputation, and is heavy built. A close fight was anticipated, but the indomitable Long proved it otherwise. Several prominent gentlemen were in the city last week. Bob Long fights Kid Carter here next week.

Around the Town.

Alexandria, La., Special.—Rev. Monroe, pastor of M. E. church, left Tuesday for Shreveport to attend Annual Conference. We hope he will be returned to us again. Amidst the preachers who passed through the city en route to conference was the very distinguished Elder Butler, of New Orleans district, who preached at the M. E. church Tuesday night, Jan. 29. Mrs. L. E. Brackins has returned home after an extended visit to Little Rock, Ark. The concert, which will be given at Shiloh Baptist church by Prof. Wright on Feb. 2, should be largely attended. Messrs. Wright and West, Miss Rosa Stafford and Mrs. C. C. Raymond will sell tickets for the occasion. See that your favorite gets the prize. Mrs. Lonnie Bennett, late of Monroe, has returned home.

Jottings.

Zanesville, Ohio, Special: John Terril, of Branch street, suffered a paralytic stroke last week. Charles Ford, of Turner street, is very sick, having ruptured a blood vessels in the brain. Mr. Basil Ramsey, of Cincinnati, formerly of this city, spent the week here. Mr. Lindsay Young has returned from Dayton, Ohio. Rev. C. W. Williams, of Oberlin, is conducting services at Union Baptist Church. The funeral of the late Charles Johnson was held at St. Paul's Church under the auspices of the Hodcarriers' Union. Mr. Geo. Johnson, of Akron, was in the city last week. Rev. Coleman, of Marietta, preached at St. Paul's Church Sunday. Both churches are meeting with success in their revivals. Mr. N. D. Cavender is recovering from la grippe. The Ladies' Court is preparing a play, "Diamonds and Hearts," to be given at Odd Fellows' Theater the latter part of this month (February). Mrs. Rice Barnett is sick. Mrs. A. B. Johns is slowly improving. Dr. E. H. Gee has purchased a fine doctor's phaeton and a pair of fine horses. It is one of the finest in the city. Miss Maria Williamson continues to improve slowly from an attack of typhoid fever. Bishop Arnett will preach at St. Paul's A. M. E. Church Sunday, February 10, and will lecture at the church Monday evening. Subject, "The Bright Side of a Dark Question." Rev. Singleton, of Newark, Ohio, assisted Rev. Maxwell in meetings this week. Mrs. Joseph Guy is a victim of la grippe.

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